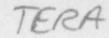


## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555



September 10, 1980

Docket No. 50-298

Mr. J. M. Pilant, Director Licensing & Quality Assurance Nebraska Public Power District P. O. Box 499 Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Dear Mr. Pilant:

We have reviewed your response to our November 9, 1979 letter concerning those portions of your ECCS evaluation models dealing with fuel cladding swelling and incidence of rupture.

We find that your have adequately confirmed the representations made in your behalf by your fuel supplier. We, therefore, conclude that your response is acceptable and that no further action is necessary.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2

Division of Licensing

cc: See next page

cc:

Mr. G. D. Watson, General Counsel Nebraska Public Power District P. O. Box 499 Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Mr. Arthur C. Gehr, Attorney Sneïl & Wilmer 3100 Valley Center Phoenix, Arizona 85073

Cooper Nuclear Station ATTN: Mr. L. Lessor Station Superintendent P. O. Box 99 Brownville, Nebraska 68321

Auburn Public Library 118 - 15th Street Auburn, Nebraska 68305