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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

YANKEE ROWE CILRT (AITS F14566H2)

REFERENCE:

Region I Inspection Report 50-29/77-11

Section 2 of the referenced inspection report discusses the CILRT recently conducted at Yankze Rowe. Despite the apparent low value of the mass point leakage (0.0094%/day), the acceptability of the test remains in question as a result of improper system lineups and insufficient mass injected into containment during the pump back supplemental verification test. The licensee intends to perform Local Leak Rate Tests and make Type C corrections to the Type A test to correct for the improper valve lineups. These will be reviewed upon submittal of his report. Region I has issued a Notice of Violation for the verification test but recommends that this not be a cause for rejection of the test results. Preliminary analyses of the pump back data indicate close agreement (5% of maximum allowable leakage over 24 hours) between the metered values and those measured with the CILRT instrumentation. It is requested that IE Headquarters concur with this recommendation.

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Enclosure: Region I Inspection Report 50-29/77-11

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