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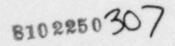
Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (TMI-2)
Operating License No. DPR-73
Docket No. 50-320
Combined Inspection Report 50-289/80-02 and 50-320/80-02

On May 28, 1980, you issued the Combined Inspection Report 80-289/80-02 and 50-320/80-02, to which we responded in our letter of July 2, 1980 (TLL 308). Subsequent to our response, you transmitted your letter of September 10, 1980, which indicated that our responses to items B and C were insufficient. It is to your second letter that we are responding to herein.

With reference to item B in our response of July 2, 1980, you state that we did not include the date when full compliance "will be achieved". As we stated in our response, the Unit 2 Shift Foremen had been instructed to ensure control room tracking of all procedures involving operating system or evolutions that may result in a gaseous or liquid radioactive release. Our response clearly indicated that the initiation had already been carried out although we did not specify when that action took place. The Unit 2 Shift Foremen were so directed by memo dated February 20, 1980, and the action so directed is ongoing.

With respect to item C in our response of July 2, 1980, you state that we did not include "1) the corrective steps which will be taken by you and the results to be achieved; 2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and 3) the date when full compliance will be achieved". In order to address your concerns, we indicated we would clarify our actions in emergency situations. This would be accomplished by procedure revision to more precisely address emergency action responses and an attempt to distinguish between routine plant operations and emergency responses of operations involving emergency situations. These actions will be included in the Unit 2 Radiological Emergency Plan when it is issued.



. Boyce H. Grier

In the meantime, procedure RCPM #4052 will be revised to specifically state than an air sample will be taken during an entry—if an air activity has not already been determined from a representative sample. This interim measure will be completed by December 1, 1980.

Please note, in our initial response we stated, "The Licensee does not agree that its emergency response actions on February 11, 1980, were in non-compliance with the Code of Federal Regulations". The Licensee is still of that opinion.

I trust this addresses your concerns appropriately.

Sincerely,

G. K. Hovey

Vice-President and Director, TMI-2

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