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Dear Mr. Cavanaugh:

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We have been following the development of the OM-4 standard through our representative on the committee. The current draft standard is not acceptable to us and we are not aware of further effort which would make it acceptable to us. Further, considering the mechanics of Code revisions through development, balloting, revisions and reballoting we believe it could be at least two years before a proposed standard could become a part of the Code and endorsed by the NRC.

Due to the uncertainty of having an acceptable code requirement for in-service inspection and testing of snubbers in the near future we consider it necessary to implement acceptable Technical Specifications now. Therefore, we request that you submit license amendment applications to incorporate the applicable portions of the model Technical Specifications into your Appendix "A" Technical Specifications within the next 30 days.

Sincerely,

"ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Original signed by

Robert A. Clark, Chief  
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JOHN F. STOLTZ"  
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