

UNITED STATES

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION III
799 ROOSEVELT ROAD
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Docket No. 50-440

The Cleveland Electric
Illuminating Company
ATTN: Mr. Alvin Kaplan
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## Gentlemen:

We have noted the recent offgas releases which occurred at the Perry plant on December 28, and 29, 1989, and on January 1, 1990. Such releases have also occurred in the past.

While the radiation levels have been low and are not a significant safety concern, these events represent repetitive operational distractions which should be corrected. We note that your past corrective actions including modifications performed during your last refueling outage, have not resolved the issues.

We request that you be prepared at the next management meeting, to discuss what short term actions, as well as any long term actions, are planned to resolve all of the offgas system issues.

Should you have any questions, please call me or Richard Knop of my staff.

Edward D. Therman

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See Attached Distribution

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