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References: (1) W. G. Counsil letter to J. M. Allan, Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, Reporting of Potential Significant Deficiencies in Design and Construction: Pull-Apart Terminal Blocks in Gould Motor Control Centers (SD-35), dated April 28, 1983.

Dear Sir:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3 Reporting of Potential Significant Deficiencies in Design and Construction: Pull-Apart Terminal Blocks in Gould Motor Control Centers (SD-35)

In Reference (1), Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) reported a potential significant deficiency as required by 10CFR50.55(e). The potential significant deficiency involves the inadvertent uncoupling of pull-apart terminal blocks in Gould Motor Control Centers (MCCs). Uncoupling of a terminal block would result in loss of MCC function and possibly the loss of function of safety-related equipment controlled by that MCC.

To correct this problem, NNECO has developed brackets which will be used to firmly secure the terminal blocks. A modified version of a design furnished by Gould (NUSCO drawing SK-ED5983) will be used to avoid physical interference with the proposed clamp. NNECO will implement the corrective action after turnover. Stone & Webster is presently processing E&DCR F-E-12969 to provide details and installation instructions.

NNECO considers these corrective actions sufficient to resolve this significant deficiency. This letter constitutes our final report closing out all items related to SD-35. We trust the above information satisfactorily responds to your concerns.

Very truly yours,

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