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## Generic Letter 83-28: Request for Extension

Reference: NRC Generic Letter No. 83-28, dated July 8, 1983 from Mr. D. G.

Eisenhut to Licensees of Operating Reactors

Dear Sir:

Based on our review of Generic Letter 83-28 (GL 83-28) and contact with other utilities, Boston Edison is convinced that many of the letter's issues would benefit from the generic approach you suggested in the reference. Such an approach promises to provide uniform, comprehensive and cost-effective resolution.

Both the Institute for Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) and the Boiling Water Reactor Owners' Group (BWROG) are currently assembling resources to generically address selected issues from the letter. We support this, and intend to participate. We believe, as do INPO and BWROG, that 120 days is an insufficient period in which to emplace resources, develop positions, and carry out the plant specific review and possible adjustment of those positions.

Therefore, Boston Edison herein requests an extension to April 30, 1984 for submitting the positions, plans and schedules required by the reference. Issues not addressed generically will also be submitted at that time. We believe this date is justified because receipt of the INPO and BWROG material is expected in February, and we must have sufficient time to review its applicability to Pilgrim.

Please be assured of our interest in addressing the issues of GL 83-28 and our ongoing effort to do so. Should you require further information concerning this request, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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