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Region I
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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- References: (A) Boston Edison letter of
June 27, 1980 from Mr. G. Carl
Andognini to Mr. Boyce H. Brier
(BECo. Ltr. #80-124)
- (B) Boston Edison letter of
January 5, 1981 from Mr. A. V.
Morisi to Mr. Boyce H. Grier
(BECo. Ltr. #81-02)

Dear Sir:

In Reference (B), Boston Edison reported on the status of analyses and modifications being performed in response to IE Bulletin 79-14, and provided tentative completion dates for all but five of the modifications (January, 1981) and for the submittal to the NRC of a final report (February 28, 1981).

We were unable to meet the tentative dates because of an increase in the projected scope of the task. This increase was determined by the incorporation of the IE Bulletin 79-02 results into our 79-14 effort, the existence of 18 inaccessible pipe supports that require minor modifications, and factors encountered during the initial close-out effort. The resultant increased magnitude of addressing 79-14 requires the revision of our completion schedule; therefore, we have developed the following status update, and schedule revisions:

STATUS OF INSPECTIONS, ANALYSIS, AND MODIFICATIONS

Due to the relationship and interdependence between the IE 79-14 results (Pipe Stress and Pipe Support Review) and the IE 79-02 results (Pipe Support Base Plate Review), the two projects have been merged into a single effort.

All walk-thru inspections performed to address the requirements of the two Bulletins have been completed.

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All Pipe Stress Analyses which are known to be required at this time have also been completed.

Approximately 310* Pipe Support Modifications and 49* Base Plate Modifications were required. The status of these Modifications is shown below:

	<u>79-14</u>	<u>79-02</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Total Modifications required:	310	49	359
Construction and Documentation completed:	191	12	203
Construction completed, awaiting final documentation:	107	30	137
Modifications awaiting Construction and final documentation:	12	7	19

*These numbers are subject to change as a result of the Review/Close-out Process, during which Modifications are often added to the list.

Revised Schedule

Our current refueling outage has placed an increased work-load on the various groups involved in the final sign-off process. This is expected to further delay the completion date for the 79-14 and 79-02 projects.

The 137 modifications awaiting final documentation are expected to be completed by April 1, 1982. With the exception of any additional modifications which may be required as a result of the final 'As-Built' review and calculation update, the 19 modifications awaiting implementation are also expected to be completed and documented by April 1, 1982. These modifications do not pose any operability concerns.

We anticipate transmitting the final report to the NRC by June, 1982.

This report will include final statistical information for both IEB 79-02 and IEB 79-14, an explanation of the procedures and criteria used, and the modification results.

A substantial portion of the work concerning these projects has already been completed, and Boston Edison shall endeavor to fully complete them as expeditiously as possible. We believe, for the reasons shown above, that good cause exists for the acceptance of the schedule revisions we have included in this submittal.

Should you require any additional information concerning this issue, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

John H. Feltner
SVP/AVM