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MIDLAND PROJECT DOCKET NOS 50-329 AND 50-330
HELBA RESTRAINT DESIGN
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Reference: J W Cook letters to J G Keppler, Same Subject:

- (1) Serial 8830, dated September 19, 1980
- (2) Serial 10070, dated December 1, 1980
- (3) Serial 11525, dated April 3, 1981
- (4) Serial 13663, dated September 4, 1981

This letter, as were the referenced letters, is an interim 50.55(e) report concerning HELBA restraint design. Since the last report, Bechtel has been continuing to develop a more realistic methodology for modeling thrust force time histories than used in the initial analysis. This new method is still undergoing verification by the Bech el technical staff and no results are available at this time.

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