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Mr. J. M. Pilant, Director Licensing and Quality Assurance Nebraska Public Power District P. O. Box 499 Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Dear Mr. Pilant:

By letter dated October 31, 1980 from D. G. Eisenhut you received a copy of NUREG-0737 "Clarification of TMI Action Plan Requirements". Item I.A.1.3.2 in this document defined new shift manning requirements for normal operation that must be implemented by Technical Specification before July 1, 1982.

In Enclosure 3 of your letter dated December 30, 1981 you identified your intended shift manning which included an additional licensed operator (RO) on each shift by July 31, 1981. The shift manning as identified in that letter meets the requirements of NUREG-0737, Item I.A.1.3.2. However if you anticipate any problems in maintaining this staffing, due to personnel shortages, after the July 1, 1982 deadline you should submit sufficient documentation by February 1, 1982 to permit the staff to complete its review in a timely manner to avoid an impact on the July 1, 1982 deadline.

You are also reminded that, because of its limited manpower and resources, the NRC Operator Licensing Branch should be contacted as early as possible to arrange dates for license examinations for your operator candidates.

Please contact us if you have any questions related to these requirements.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by T. A. Ippolito

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Licensing

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