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Docket No. 99901115/90-01

Mr. Peter B. Ellis, General Manager
Anchor/Darling Enterprises, Incorporated
32 Moulton Street
Laconia, New Hampshire 03246

Dear Mr. Ellis:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter to Mr. Robert L. Pettis of my staff on September 26, 1990, in which you stated that a 10 CFR Part 21 report, regarding a lack of documentation to support qualification by load rating for the Model AD-12500 snubber, was not required since the affected plants (Diablo Canyon, Arkansas, Vogtle and South Texas) were supplied snubbers certified to the 1977 ASME Code, or earlier editions, which recognize qualification by analysis as an alternative to load rating.

It is our understanding that Anchor/Darling Enterprises, Incorporated (A/D) has taken credit for calculations performed in 1983 to support the decision that a substantial safety hazard does not exist for the Model AD-12500 snubbers presently installed in safety-related applications. We agree with your approach and will review A/D's evaluation during our next inspection. Additionally, your letter states that job specific Load Capacity Data Sheets and Qualification Testing records were submitted to your customers and approved. This statement appears to contradict our inspection finding that load rating documentation is presently unavailable to support the qualification basis of the Model AD-12500. Please provide the NRC an explanation of this statement within 30 days from the date of this letter. Should you have any questions, please call me or Mr. Robert L. Pettis of my staff at (301) 492-3214.

Sincerely,
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Uldis Potapovs, Acting Chief
Vendor Inspection Branch
Division of Reactor Inspection
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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