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DOCKET 50-155 - LICENSE DPR-6 - BIG ROCK POINT PLANT -
NOTIFICATION OF DIESEL FIRE PUMP DRIVER INSPECTION

Big Rock Point Technical Specification 3.7.11.1.a requires that a Special Report be sent to Region III Administrator when the Fire Suppression Water System is inoperable for greater than seven days. During the 1990 Refueling Outage, the diesel fire pump will be disassembled for inspection and the activity could last more than seven days. The current outage schedule has this activity starting on October 3, 1990. Our interpretation concludes that a Special Report would not be required for two reasons:

1. Inspection is a planned maintenance activity and an equipment failure did not occur.
2. NRC Region III and NRR are aware of the planned inspection as it is a commitment made in response to NRC Bulletin 88-04, Potential Safety-Related Pump Loss, in Consumers Power Company letter dated June 29, 1989.

After reviewing this position with the Resident Inspector and NRR, it was decided that in lieu of a Special Report, an informational letter should be sent to NRC notifying them of the planned maintenance activity. A similar notification was sent to the NRC concerning diesel fire pump driver replacement by Consumers Power Company letter dated January 9, 1987.

During the inspection the plant will remain in a "shutdown" condition and refueling activities will be suspended as required by Technical Specification 11.3.1.4.d.. To ensure that fire suppression is available, the electric fire pump will not be taken out of service. Should the electric fire pump fail,

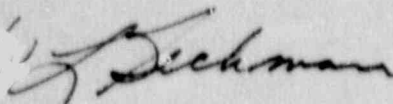
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procedures are in place per Technical Specification 3.7.11.1 to notify the Charlevoix Fire Department to standby.



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