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DOCKET 50-155 - LICENSE DPR-6 -BIG ROCK POINT PLANT - RESPONSE TO CONTAINMENT LEAK TESTING

In a letter dated November 23, 1982, the NRC issued an Exemption from certain requirements of Section 50.54(o) and Appendix J to 10 CFR 50 for the Big Rock Point Plant in response to Consumers Power Company's letters dated September 15, 1975, February 13, 1976, December 20, 1977, October 10, 1980, August 19, 1982 and October 12, 1982.

Enclosed with the Exemption were a Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and Technical Evaluation Report (TER) that provided the basis for the NRC staff's action on Consumers Power Company's requests for exemption. As discussed in the SER, some exemption requests have been deferred to the Systematic Evaluation Program (SEP). Accordingly, further information regarding this matter will be submitted in Consumers Power Company's response to SEP Topic VI-4 "Containment Isolation System".

This is to inform you that Consumers Power Company is in general agreement with the actions taken by the staff on our requests for exemption. Further, in our review of the SER and TER, we have identified a discrepancy between the frequency of main steam isolation and drain valve testing identified in Section 3.3.1 (pg 12) of the TER and that which is adhered to by the Plant.

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The main steam isolation and drain valves are tested as part of the NSSS hydro which is performed every refueling outage rather than approximately every 40 ± 10 months as stated in the Technical Evaluation. Therefore, the Type C testing frequency requirements are met.

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