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Mr. William Russell, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attn: Document Control Desk Mail Station P1-137 Washington, DC 20555

> Subject: Duane Arnold Energy Center Docket No: 50-331 Op. License No: DPR-49 Revision to RTS-246 Reference: 1) Letter, R. Pulsifer (NRC) to L. Liu (IELP), dated November 12, 1993 2) L tter, J. Franz (IELP) to Dr. T. Murley (NRC), NG-92-1238 dated March 27, 1992; Subject: RTS-246, Revision to TS Section 3.7, "Containment Systems" Letter, J. Franz (IESUI) to Dr. T. 3) Murley (NRC), NG-93-5097 dated January 6, 1994; Subject: Response to Staff Concerns on License Amendment Request RTS-246 File: A-117, T-23a

Dear Mr. Russell:

Your Staff's letter of November 12, 1993 (Reference 1) transmitted a Technical Evaluation Report for our request to revise the Duane Arnold Energy Center's Technical Specifications, RTS-246, submitted by Reference 2. This letter identified several concerns, to which we responded in Reference 3.

Our response stated that we would submit a revision to RTS-246 for Staff review by March 31, 1994. However, while preparing this revision, we identified additional enhancements which we wish to include in the revision. To allow for this, we are delaying the submittal of the revision which will be completed by May 30, 1994. This schedule change has been discussed with your Staff in a telephone conversation on March 10, 1994.

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Should you have any additional questions, please contact this office.

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