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Mr. Robert A. Clark, Chief U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Division of Licensing Operating Reactors Branch No. 3 Washington, D.C. 20555

Reference: Docket No. 50-285

Dear Mr. Clark:

NUREG-0737, Item II.F.1.6 Containment Hydrogen Monitors

Omaha Public Power District's letter to you dated July 1, 1982 detailed problems encountered with the subject monitors during calibration and subsequent repairs. At that time, we expected to have the H₂ monitors in service by October 1, 1982. However, during the testing being performed during final system checkout, two valves associated with one of the two monitors failed, as detailed in the attached Licensee Event Report 82-017. As a result of the valve failures, containment hydrogen monitor VA-81A has been isolated by capping the containment suction and discharge sampling lines. VA-81A will not be returned to service until the 1983 refueling outage, since a containment entry is required to repair the failed valves. However, monitor VA-81B is presently fully operational and available for H2 monitoring in the event of a design basis event. Accordingly, although the District will not be in full compliance with the requirements of NUREG-0737, Item II.F.1.6, until after the refueling outage, presently scheduled to start January 2, 1983, the Fort Calhoun Station does presently have the capability to monitor the containment for hydrogen.

Sincerely,

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