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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
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Attention: Mr. J. G. Kepler
Regional Administrator

RE: WM. H. ZIMMER NUCLEAR POWER STATION UNIT 1
10CFR50.55(e) ITEM M-33, FITTINGS WITH
HIGH-STRESS STAMP, DOCKET NO. 50-358,
CONSTRUCTION PERMIT NO. CPPR-88,
W.O. #57300, JOB E-5590, FILE NO. NRC-8, M-33

Gentlemen:

This letter constitutes an interim report concerning the subject condition initially reported to the Commission under 10CFR50.55(e).

As stated in our previous report, QA-1780, dated May 25, 1982, a CG&E audit of its contractor, H. J. Kaiser Company, revealed that the subject SA105GR.II, ASME Class 2 fittings were stamped with a letter "N" to indicate the normalized condition of the material. Two potential problems arose when it was discovered that the fittings were stamped without authorization from the vendor and the marking was accomplished using a "high-stress" stamp.

The Kaiser warehouse superintendent has indicated that the fittings stamped were shipped with certification stating that all fittings were indeed normalized. The vendor, Bonney Forge, has stated that all fittings with material designation SA105GR.II are normalized; this condition being indicated by either the material designation or a letter "N" stamped in the serial number on each fitting. Kaiser was not aware of this practice and independently stamped fittings with the "N" although they were already marked with the material designation. All fittings stamped by Kaiser have been scrapped in accordance with the disposition of Nonconformance Report (NR) #E-4016.

CG&E further investigated this condition and discovered other fittings that were stamped with a "high-stress" stamp but were not included in this NR.

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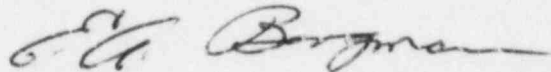
CG&E NR #C-QAD-82-1358-E has been dispositioned to remove all fittings with this stamp from the warehouse. A survey of installation documentation has revealed that some "high-stress" stamped fittings may have been released for construction. CG&E is performing documentation reviews and field walkdowns to identify field installed fittings which may be improperly stamped. Disposition of these fittings will be addressed through the appropriate corrective action system. A follow-up report will be submitted by January 31, 1983.

We trust the above will be found acceptable as an interim report under 10CFR50.55(e).

Very truly yours,

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

By



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