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Dear Gentlemen:

Subject: Three Mile Island Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2, (TMI-1 & 2)  
 Operating License Nos. DPR-50 and DPR-73  
 Docket Nos. 50-289 and 50-320  
 TMI Fire Brigade Training

The purpose of this letter is to amend our June 1, 1990 letter requesting approval of a proposed change to the TMI Fire Brigade training requirements contained in the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) dated October 30, 1985. The amendment is necessary to incorporate an agreement reached during a discussion on the subject with Mr. Masnik, NRR Staff, on September 27, 1990.

The original proposal requested a change to the training requirements outlined in the SER because of the entry of TMI-2 into Facility Mode 3. It was considered a limited change in that all requirements delineated in the SER would remain except that which required each member of the fire brigade to participate in two drills in TMI-2 per year to remain qualified. GPU Nuclear proposed replacing the "two drills per year per person" TMI-2 requirement with a "one drill per shift per year" requirement. With the current shift complement, the proposed revised requirement would equate to a drill at least once per quarter within TMI-2 for fire brigade members. The requirements to perform TMI-1 drills (two per person per year), to cover TMI-2 fire systems and fire fighting pre-plan strategies, procedures and provide familiarization tours as part of both the initial fire brigade training and requalification training programs will remain unchanged.

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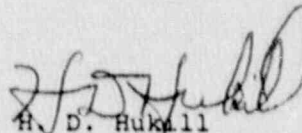
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To eliminate the NRC concern that a fire brigade made up of members with limited experience and familiarity with TMI-2 would be called upon to fight a fire, GPU Nuclear agreed at the September 27th discussion, to require all fire brigade leaders to participate in at least one drill per year at TMI-2.

Although fire brigade members will participate in fewer drills, they will continue to receive TMI-2 specific training and will be required to practice as a team in TMI-1. Therefore, GPU Nuclear has concluded that the qualifications and readiness of the fire brigade to control and extinguish fires in TMI-2 will not be diminished.

We request your concurrence with this change since it deviates from the SER dated October 30, 1985.

Sincerely,



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