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Mr. William T. 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 (DAEC)

Docket No: 50-331 Op. License No: DPR-49

Revision to Request for Technical Specification Change (RTS-256A): Low Pressure Coolant Injection (LPCI)

Subsystem Operability

Reference: 1) Franz to Murley, Request for Technical

Specification Change (RTS-256): Low Pressure Coolant Injection (LPCI) Subsystem Operability, NG-93-2195,

June 18, 1993 File: A-117, E-11

Dear Mr. Russell:

In the referenced letter we requested certain changes to the DAEC Technical Specifications (TS). The request included an editorial change to the Containment Spray specification (TS 3.5.B), which would delete the word "independent" as it related to the descriptions of the design of the system. At the DAEC, because of its LPCI Loop Select Logic design, the Residual Heat Removal (RHR) system cross-tie valve is normally open. However, in the majority of Boiling Water Reactors, it is a locked-closed valve. Consequently, we believed that use of the word "independent" to describe the two loops of Containment Spray, which is an operating mode of the RHR system, was inappropriate and we requested that it be deleted from this TS. Upon review by your staff, this change was deemed to not be an editorial clarification because, without the word "independent," the Staff felt that the TS could be interpreted to allow indefinite operation with one Containment Spray valve out of service. As this was not our intent in requesting this change, we are hereby withdrawing that specific change to preclude any such potential misinterpretation.

We are only withdrawing a change that was previously described as editorial in the referenced submittal and thereby, retaining the existing wording. Therefore, the conclusion of our previous evaluation of significant hazards consideration is not affected by this revision.

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Attached you will find a new, revised TS page to replace the one previously submitted. This change has been reviewed by the DAEC Operations Committee and the Safety Committee. A copy of this revision is being forwarded to our appointed state official pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50.91.

Should you have further questions regarding this matter, please contact this office.

This letter is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

IES UTILITIES INC.

By

State of Iowa (County) of Linn

Signed and sworn to before me on this 5th day of May, 1994,

by John J. Inany

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Attachment: Revised DAEC TS Page 3.5-4

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