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Mr. James G. Keppler, Regional Administrator
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
799 Roosevelt Road
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Subject: Interim Report of the Potential 10CFR50.55(e) Item on Hydraulic
Pipe Snubbers (#79)

Dear Mr. Keppler:

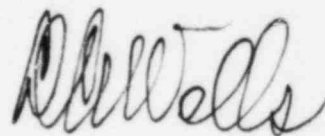
On October 15, 1982, Detroit Edison's Mr. D. Ferencz, Acting Supervisor-
Construction Quality Assurance, telephoned Mr. J. Konklin's office of NRC
Region III to report on a potential problem with hydraulic pipe snubbers
at the Fermi 2 site.

The problem appears to be contamination of the hydraulic fluid with metal
filings and corrosion of internal parts. The hydraulic snubbers are sup-
plied by Power Piping Company. Approximately 400 such snubbers exist at
the Fermi 2 site. This problem appears to be similar to a previous one
at Crystal River 3 Nuclear Plant in Florida.

Currently, all hydraulic snubbers have been sent to Power Piping for re-
furbishing.

Another report on this item, either interim or final, is scheduled to be
sent on or before March 15, 1983. If you have questions concerning this
matter, please contact Mr. G.M. Trahey, Assistant Director-Project Quality
Assurance.

Very truly yours,



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