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Mr. Richard C. DeYoung, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20535

Dear Mr. DeYoung:

Subject: Reportable Item on Radiographic Testing of CPEM Adapter Welds


Reference: NS-DMA-2454, dated June 5, 1981

The referenced letter reported a potential significant deficiency (10CFR50.55(e)) for plants under construction and an unreviewed safety question (10CFR50.59) for operating plants involving the CPEM adapter welds on several plants. Attached is a report documenting the resolution of this issue.

All of the suspect radiographs on the affected plants were reviewed by Westinghouse. Of the 728 films reviewed, 35 were deemed not interpretable. Of these 35 welds, 28 were re-radiographed with acceptable results. The remaining seven welds are on two operating plants and cannot be re-radiographed. The attached report provides the basis of the Westinghouse conclusion that safe operation of these units can continue without additional testing.

If you have any question on this subject, please contact me or David Maira (telephone 412/373-5230) of my staff.

Sincerely,


for J. P. Paks, Jr., Manager
Nuclear Safety Department

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Attachment

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