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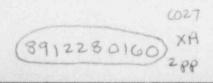
James E. Richardson, Director Division of Engineering Technology Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT:

REQUEST FROM RES FOR INFORMATION RELATED TO ADOPTION OF SUBSECTION INE, SECTION XI OF THE ASME CODE

NRR received a memorandum from Lawrence C. Shao, Director, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, on November 7, 1989 requesting information concerning the adequacy of (and findings of) inspections of metal containments and liners of concrete containments. This memorandum was in response to several recommendations made by the CRGR concerning possible enhancements to Subsection IWE, "Requirements for Class MC and Metallic Liners of Class CC Components of Light-Water-Cooled Power Plants," of Section XI, of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. RES has made this request to properly prepare for a return to the CRGR.

Based on information gathered from regional inspectors' visits to plants, RES specifically needs to know the following: 1) the adequacy of the guidance given in Appendix J concerning containment inspection; 2) the availability of plant specific written procedures on the conduct of containment inspections; 3) the capability, knowledge, and training of utility personnel performing these inspections; 4) the availability of records of each inspection; 5) utility follow-up on inspection data (i.e., trending of information to determine when action is needed); and 6) the availability of written criteria (and their bases) to determine when inspection results require action.



It is requested that your input be completed as soon as practicable so that RES will be able to return to the CRGR in early 1990. Please send a copy of your responses directly to Andrew J. Murphy, MS 217A NL/S.

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