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Attention: Dr. L. T. Papay, Vice President
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Subject: Confirmation of Action

Gentlemen:

The NRC issued IE Bulletin No. 83-01 on February 25, 1983, "Failure of Reactor Trip Breakers (Westinghouse DB-50) to Open On Automatic Trip Signal", in response to an event which occurred at the Salem Unit 1 plant.

Recent surveillance testing of the General Electric Type AK-2-25 reactor trip breakers, installed in San Onofre Units 2 and 3, identified that three such breakers in Unit 2 and one breaker in Unit 3 failed to open when the undervoltage trip attachment was tested independent of the shunt trip attachment. These failures were reported to our Senior Resident Inspector on March 10, 1983.

This letter advises you of our understanding, pursuant to telephone conversations with Mr. H. B. Ray on March 11, 1983, that you will take no action to close the reactor trip breakers except for testing of the breakers with the rods de-energized, or add positive reactivity on Units 2 and 3 until this matter is resolved to the satisfaction of the NRC.

If our understanding of your actions is not accurate, you should contact this office promptly.

Sincerely,

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