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Docket No. 50-346

Mr. Donald C. Shelton
Vice President, Nuclear - Davis-Besse
Centerior Service Company
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Dear Mr. Shelton:

SUBJECT: REACTOR TRIP BREAKER PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE (TAC NO. 75237)

By letter dated July 1, 1991, you informed us of your intent to increase the non-Technical Specification reactor trip breaker (RTB) preventive maintenance schedule at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS) from 12 months to 18 months with a possible maximum 25% extension to permit scheduling coincident with refueling outages. Your reason to increase the interval is to decrease the potential for spurious trips during on-line RTB preventive maintenance.

Your bases for the increased interval are that trending of preventive maintenance parameters over the past 8 years indicates no adverse trends in RTB performance, the DBNPS reactor protection system includes a diverse trip mechanism, and Technical Specification and vendor specified surveillance and maintenance will not be affected. In addition, if any trending parameters fall outside the acceptance criteria following the interval increase, then the interval will be returned to 12 months, unless the root cause of the failure is determined to be unrelated to the preventive maintenance interval.

The NRC staff has reviewed your intended action and finds it acceptable. This completes our action on TAC No. 75237.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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