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Dear Mr. Jones:

SUBJECT: INSERVICE INSPECTION AND TESTING PROGRAM - RELIEF FROM

ASME BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL CODE, SECTION XI

The Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) requested relief from the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section XI by letter dated July 7, 1983. Specifically, relief was requested for various Class 1, 2 and 3 examinations, all snubbers, and various pumps and valves. The relief is to be incorporated into OPPD's new ten year inservice inspection and testing program which becomes effective September 26, 1983. OPPD has determined the Code required inspection and testing of certain components to be impractical and has provided information to support this determination.

We have performed a preliminary review of the relief requests for pumps and valves. Regarding pumps, OPPD requested relief from certain code requirements (e.g., rotational speed measurements, inlet pressure measurements) for pumps associated with systems such as safety injection, component cooling, and raw water. Regarding valves, OPPD requested relief from certain code requirements (e.g., quarterly stroking) for valves associated with systems such as safety injection, component cooling, and containment purge. The specific Code requirements and the specific pumps and valves that OPPD is asking relief from are in the July 7, 1983 submittal. The results of our preliminary review are contained in the enclosed Safety Evaluation. Based upon our preliminary review, we agree on an interim basis with OPPD that certain code testing requirements are impractical. Our agreement does not include the exceptions and alternative requirements contained in our Safety Evaluation. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i), we grant relief, on an interim basis until September 26, 1984, from those inservice testing requirements of the ASME Code for the pumps and valves that OPPD requested.

OPPD has committed to provide to the staff its new ten year program by September 26, 1983. Our enclosed Safety Evaluation may affect the new program. In order that we may continue our review, we request OPPD to submit its new program as planned and also submit any modifications resulting from our evaluation within 45 days thereafter.

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We have completed our review of the relief request for the plant snubbers. OPPD stated that it has in effect surveillance procedures meeting the requirements of the Snubber Technical Specifications, and it will continue to follow these requirements instead of the ASME Section XI snubber requirements. The results of our review are also contained in the enclosed Safety Evaluation. Based upon our review, we agree with OPPD that the Code requirements are impractical. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i), we grant relief for the new ten year period from those inservice requirements of the ASME Code dealing with plant snubbers.

Our review of OPPD's relief requests for Class 1, 2 and 3 examinations is continuing. It is our understanding that relief is not needed until the upcoming refueling outage which is estimated to commence in March 1984. We have scheduled our safety evaluation accordingly and will provide OPPD our evaluation at a later date.

The information requested in this letter affects fewer than 10 respondents; therefore OMB clearance is not required under P.L. 96-511.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this letter.

A copy of the Federal Register Notice is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by J. R. Miller

James R. Miller, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #3 Division of Licensing

Enclosures:

1. Safety Evaluation

2. Notice

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