V-2

Jersey Central Power & Light Company

MADISON AVENUE AT PUNCH BOWL ROAD . MORRISTOWN, N. J. 07960 . 539-6111

December 16, 1971

Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, Director Division of Compliance, Region I United States Atomic Energy Commission 970 Broad Street Newark, New Jersey 07102

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This letter is in reply to your letter of December 10, 1971 that confirmed your telegram of December 9, 1971 to Mr. R. H. Sims, Vice President of Jersey Central Power & Light Company, relative to the recent incident at the Turkey Point 3 Station in which three relief valves were ejected from two main steam line headers.

This will advise that headers, as described in your letter, are not installed in the main steam lines at our Oyster Creek Station. The relief and safety valves at Oyster Creek sit on short six-inch diameter branch connections that are welded directly to the top of the main steam lines. During the recent outage at Oyster Creek, nine, twenty-four inch pipe welds were examined ultrasonically on the north main steam line and no reportable indications were observed.

We will continue these in-service inspection activities during the next refueling outage and our engineering personnel will be keeping abreast of the results of the investigation of the Turkey Point incident in order to determine the applicability, if any, to Oyster Creek.

Very truly yours,

Ivan R. Finfrock, Jr.

Manager, Nuclear Generating Stations

Tinfine

IRF/pk

cc: Dr. Peter A. Morris Mr. R. H. Sims