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TRANSFER OF LEAD RESPONSIBILITY

Date: August 14, 1973

Serial No.: RO-C&O-73-4

TO: D. J. Skovholt, Assistant Director for Operating Reactors, L

Subject: Feedwater Sparger Failure

Facility: Millstone, Unit 1, Docket No. 50-245

Responsible RO Assistant Director: J. G. Keppler, (Acting)

Description of Item Requiring Resolution:

Recent information (August 8, 1973) from the Millstone site indicates that the feedwater spargers are vibrating in excess of established limits at 100% power. This problem appears to be a continuation of the previous sparger problems experienced at Millstone.

References:

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- Directorate of Regulatory Operations Notification of an Incident or Occurrence - Blue Sheet No. 85 dated 4/25/73.
- Special Report, Chloride Intrusion Incident, Appendix I, dated June 29, 1973.
- Memorandum R. R. Maccary to D. J. Skovholt dated July 6, 1973, entitled "Review of Millstone Power Station, Unit No. 1, Interim Report, Feedwater Sparger Failure, June 12, 1973 and Appendum 1, June 29, 1973.

RO Recommendations and Proposed Course of Action

- 1. The Directorate of Licensing will retain lead responsibility relative to determining the adequacy of the present feedwater sparger design and its attachment to the reactor vessel.
- The Directorate of Licensing will provide direction to the licensee concerning permissible modes of operation and power levels. Licensing will also continue to review the safety aspects associated with this problem.

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The Directorate of Regulatory Operations will provide pertinent 3. operating information on a prompt basis to assist Licensing in their continued evaluation of the problem.

Concurrence:

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