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SUBJECT: Interngency Agreement No. NRC-03-79-167, Bi-Honthly Letter

Mr. Gaurge Lear
U.S. Unclear Regulatory Countssion
Chief, Hydrologic & Geotechnical Engr. Dr.
Livision of Engineering
Nail Stop 2-214
Dashington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Lear:

This is the sixth of the bi-monthly letters required by subject interagency agreement. The status of the itsus requesced-in the agreements is provided for the following paragraphs.

Efforts Completed During the Period 21 September to 20 November 1980

Midland. Action was completed this period by MRC concerning the taking of additional borings. The additional laborings must be taken by the antidad. Some relief was granted by eliminating the SIT's for some of the berings. The locations of the borings to be taken at the cooling found dikes are being rowised. Taking of district employee depositions for the ASLE hearings was scheduled for October but due to delays in taking MRC staff depositions, these will be rescheduled. Interrogatories have been prepared to be asked of the applicant and its consultants during the taking of depositions. All this information will be send in connections it be repaired to be acked on the Report (SLE) and preparing the testinosy of the ASLE hearings in March/April 1901. This work is preparatory to completing subtasks 2, 3, & 4 of the intersponcy agreement.

Failly. There has been no activity by the applicant to get this project toving. An ASLE hearing will be held to discuss whether or not the construction parent should be extended. The pile issue may be brought up at the hearing. Work is continuing on preparing the erail SER and preparing additional geotechnical questions not related to the pile issue. Or. John Grundstrom the lead reviewer for the Bailly Plant has now become a permanent employee within the contachnical ingineering Section. Ere is preparing an interagency agreement modification to include a full time pile driving expert on site during the pile driving activity. The personnel to handle this work is to be provided by the Chicago District one to the Batroit District's limited staff.

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Amount of Funds Expanded

Sito	From 1 Sep 50 to 31 Oct 80	Cusulativa
Midland Bailly	\$ 15,863.76 8,617.50	\$ 94,255.00 61,699.96
w. L. L. y	\$ 24,401.50 .	\$155,954.96

Total costs through FY 30 are Midland \$88,066.12, Dailly \$58,953.50, total \$147,019.52. hadification So. 2, increasing funds to \$204,000 was received on 25 Sep 80.

Problems Encountered or Anticipated

The four BRC spaces allosted to the District are good only thru FY 61.
Recruitment of highly qualified personnel for only one year, or less, is nearly impossible. The work will then likely be completed with the present district staff. For the Bidland project, an SER is to be completed by the end of February 1981. In terms of meeting the interagency agreement requirements, this document will be more than a draft but less than a final SER. With the document to be completed in February 1981, the draft will be considered to be complete and a significant portion of the final SER will be considered complete.

Procress Summary

Hidland. Subtask Sc. 1 letter report is considered complete. Work on subtask 2, 3, and 4 to prepare the draft and final SER and prepare ASLE testiony is underway.

Bailly. Subtask No. 1 letter report is considered complete. Work on subtask 2, preparation of the draft SER is underway.

Plous for the Next Reporting Period 21 Movember 80 - 20 January 81

hidland. Interrogatories will continue to be prepared to be asked during the taking of depositions from the applicant and its consultants in preparation for the ASLB hearings resulting from the 6 December 79 show cause order. All depositions are to be completed by 23 January 1981. The District will hear key depositions as they are taken. The District will be preparing part of the testimony for the ASLB hearings. The content of the testimony is primarily the same as the content of the SER. The District will be working toward completion of a SER during this period too. The SER is to be complete by the end of February 1981.

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SUBJECT: Interepency Agreement No. MRG-03-79-107, Bi-Monthly Letter

Bailly. Submit additional questions on geotechnical concarns sener than the foundation pile issue. After an appropriate response is received from the applicant, work on the draft SER will continue.

General. By letter dated 2 October 1980, the District requested that all wall from ARC be directed to Mr. Ment A. Cebring in lieu of Mr. Lawhead. Mr. Lawhead is no longer directly involved in the INC work efforts. By making this change, all correspondence will be hamiled faster.

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P. McCALLISTER
Chief, Engineering Division

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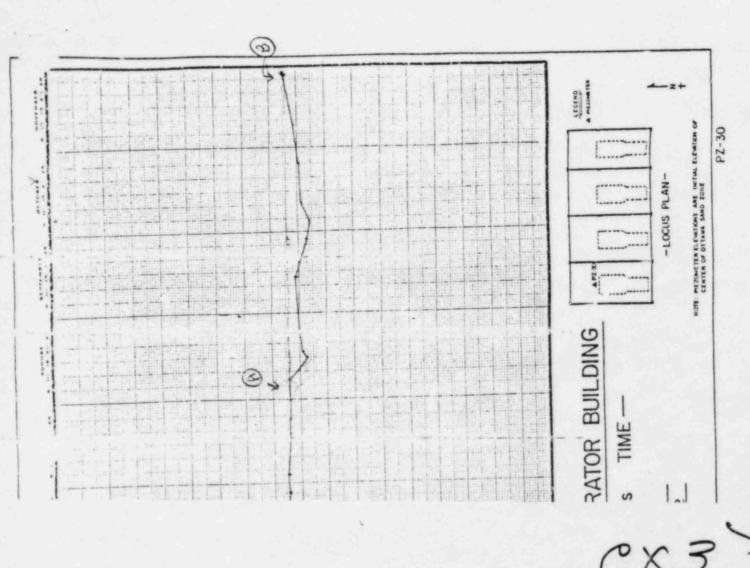
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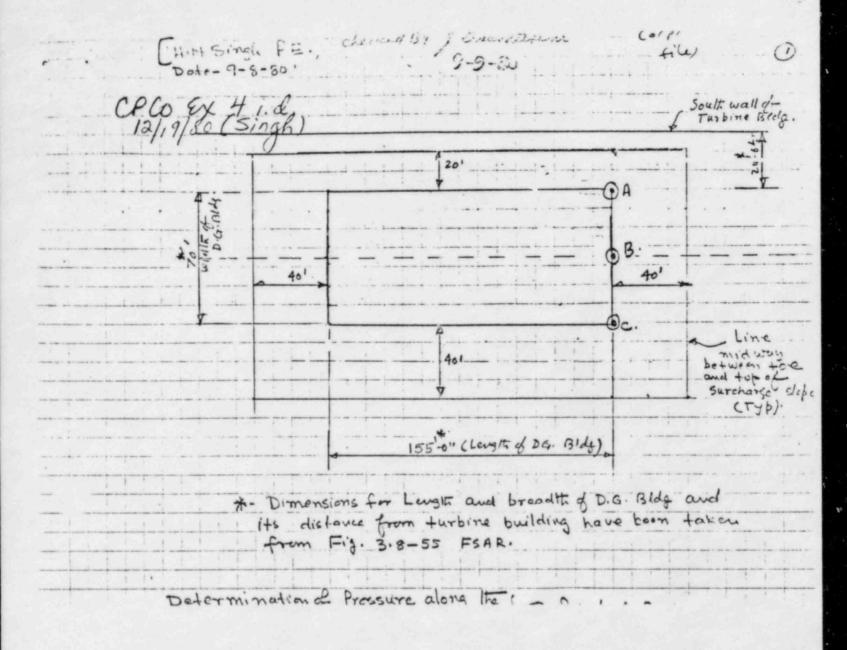
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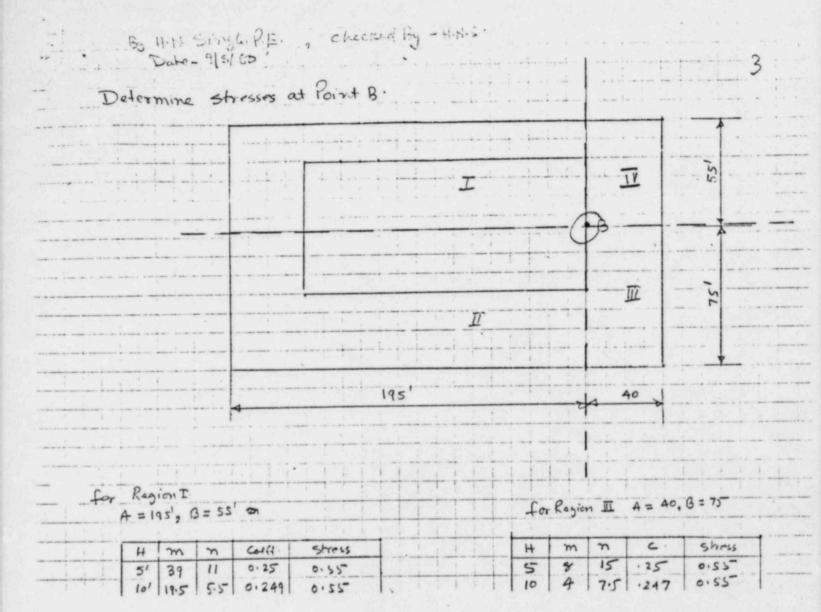




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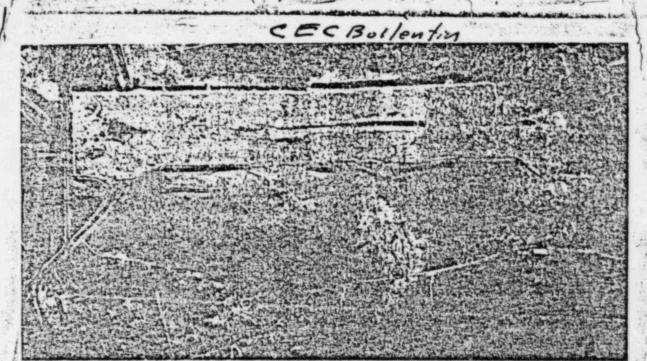
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Runway extension at Mayport, Fla., grows up out of soft mud and muck of a reedy salt marsh.

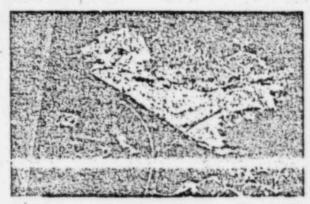
Sand Over Muck

By CDR Richard L. Mann, CEC, USN

How 800,000 cubic yards of hydraulic fill, placed as a temporary surcharge to ten feet above final design grade, speeded up consolidation of a poor bearing soil underlying a runway extension at the Naval Auxiliary Landing Field, Mayport, Fla.

M Atlantic Coast at the mouth of the St. Johns River, is a seaport satellite of the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. Berthing facilities are under construction for CV-B class carriers, whose air groups will fly in and taxi to aprons at ship-

side for louding aboard. As part of the scheme, BuAer requires that one of the old 4,150-foot runways be lengthened to 8,000 feet and strengthened to accommodate jet aircraft. The runway extension posed a problem, for the only practicable location was in a salt marsh covered with reeds and seelge and containing meandering tributaries of a tidal estuary. Beneath the vegetation was soft mud or muck to a depth of about ten feet. Because of this poor foundation condition, it was decided to conduct a careful investigation with the assistance of BuDock's Soil Mechanics Section.



Aerial shows early stages of hydraulic filling in the surcharge area

A plan view of the runway extension is shown on figure 1. Borings were taken by an engineering service contract, and undisturbed samples

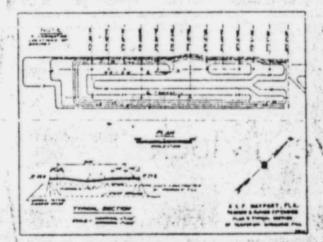
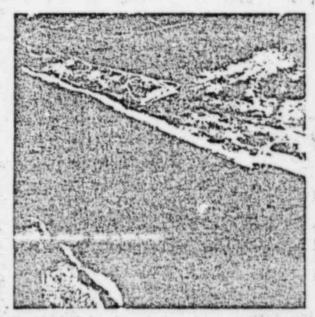


Figure 1.—Plan and typical section of temporary hydraulic fill to speed up consolidation.

were shipped to the Bureau for analysis and recommendations. As shown by the soil profile (fig. 2), the muck layer extended to a maximum depth of 14 feet below mean low water and was underlain for the most part by a good bearing stratum of silty sand and shell. The profile also shows an old dredge spoil area near the middle of the runway extension, which had already depressed the original marsh surface as much as 5 feet.

Laboratory examination of the soil samples disclosed that the material was a relatively homo-



Double-duty pipeline dredge clears carrier turning basin and at same time supplies fill for surcharge.

geneous OII organic clay (Casagrande classification) having high compressibility, an average inplace wet unit weight of 83 pounds per cubic foot and an average moisture content of 142 percent. In its natural state, it has negligible bearing value.

Consolidometer tests of the samples gave the settlement-time curves of figure 3, which were based on loading equivalent to that of the proposed permanent fill for the runway and taxiway extension. As is typical of all fine grained, rela-

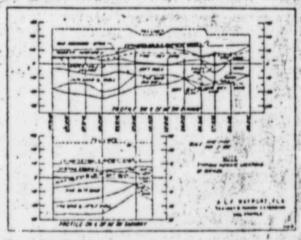


Figure 2.—Profile on center line of runway shows stable stratum of sand and shell under muck.

tively impervious soils, it took time to reach an equilibrium between the soil and an applied load. Initially, the excess load is carried by the water in the voids of the soil. The excess hydrostatio or "pore" pressure causes the pore water to flow away from the stressed zone. Gradually, the load is transferred to the soil grains, and consolidation takes place. Equilibrium is reached when all of the load is carried on the soil grains and none by two pressure. The volume reduction is equal to the volume of water that escapes from the saturated soil.

It will be noted that the curves of figure 3 indicate a serious and fairly rapid settlement, reaching up to 14 inches and to about 50 percent of total settlement, in one year. After that, the curves tend to flatten out.

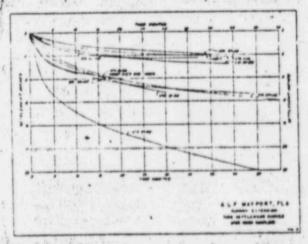


Figure 3.—Time-settlement curves for muck under proposed permanent fill show fairly rapid settlement of about 50 percent in first 12 months.

Several schemes for reducing or accelerating the settlement were studied. The Bureau first recommended reducing the settlement by excavating about half the depth of muck, thereafter allowing from 2 to 3 months for consolidation of the remainder under the load of the fill to be placed before constructing any avenent. Inastruch as the speed of consolidation is inversely proportional to the square of the thickness of the layer undergoing consolidation, removal of half the thickness of muck would have increased the speed of settlement fourfold, and the flat part of the curve would have been reached in about 3 months.

A system of sand drain wells also undoubtedly would have reduced the settlement time satisfactorily. But in view of the relatively high unit cost of drilling and fillings acad drains in a thin stratum, this method did not appear economical. The use of sand drains would have entailed a considerable delay because of the time required to prepare a new contract and mobilize the necessary specialized equipment. Furthermore, as a contract for dredging the nearby carrier turning basin had already been started under an earlier appropriation, it was desired to place all the available hydraulic fill in the runway extension area without interruption and payment of stand-by time for the dredge during installation of sand drains.

The Director of the Paving Inspection and Testing Division, Sixth Naval District Public Works Officer proposed that consideration be given to accelerating the consolidation of the muck layer by temporarily increasing the height of fill to be placed upon it. Studies indicated enough good material could be pumped in from the dredging project to provide the necessary permanent fill for the runway and taxiway extension, including shoulders, end zone, and a circumferential putrol road. By placing as much as possible of the available sand over the areas to be paved, a surcharge about ten feet above final design grade would be created. As the marsh elevation averaged about +4.5 feet above mean low water, and finished subgrade was to be about +15.0 feet, this scheme involved building a 20-foot fill (to elevation +25 feet) which would be graded back down to runway and taxiway elevation after consolidation. The surcharge would roughly double the pressure on the underlying muck, as compared with the load of the lower, permanent fill. This would almost double the settlement taking place within a given increment of time.

As an example, the curves plotted on figure 4 show the conditions for Station 6+50. Without the surcharge, the predicted settlement was 5½ inches at 5 months. With twice the load, 5½ inches of settlement would occur in only 1¼ months. Thus, by overloading with excess fill, the muck would become overconsolidated, with respect to the load of the final fill, within less than 5 months. At 2½ months, the accelerated curve

indicates a settlement of 8 inches, which is about the same as the ultimate settlement on the normal curve. Thus, if the surcharge were removed after 2½ months, bringing the area at this station to finished grade and paving, the muck thereafter would be fully consolidated and no further settlement would take place.

The success of the surcharge method would depend largely on the perviousness of the fill, in order that water expelled from the muck by the increased pore pressure might drain ou readily. The fill material, consisting principally of fine and medium sand with varying proportions of shell, was sufficiently pervious to permit the drainage as intended. Considerable drainage would also be expected from the lower surface of the muck into the underlying sandy strata.

Comparative cost and time studies for the several methods indicated that consolidation by surcharge would prove the least expensive, not consume too much time, and would use the spoil materials to best advantage. Results of these studies were as follows:

- (a) The scheme of removing half the muck, which at first appeared to offer the best solution, would have cost about \$600,000, and taken 9 months' time before paying could begin.
- (b) An alternate of the above scheme was considered whereby the suction dredge would suspend operations in the turning basin, cut its way up the slough, and pump out the muck. To retain flotation, the dredge would have had to remove all the muck, but on the other hand could do the job, including backfilling with sand from the river, in 4 to 5 months. Additional fill up to pavement subgrade could have been placed in another 3 months, and paving could have been started about 7 months after commencing operations. However, this procedure would have cost about 6750,000.
- (c) Sand drains would have cost in the neighborhood of \$550,000 and taken 6 months for design, award of contract, and completion; 4 to 6 months more would have been consumed in final filling, waiting for settlement, and grading preparatory to paving.
- (d) The estimated cost of consolidation by surcharge amounted to \$107,000 for additional higher dikes to confine the fill to a more limited

area, and \$320,000 for the unloading or gradingdown operation, a total of \$427,000. Timewise, this method would require about 3 months to complete the fill, about 4 months for the settlement rate to reach a satisfactory value, and 2 months for unloading and grading to runway elevation; 9 months in all.

The Officer-in-Charge of Construction, Capt. W. T. Eckberg, CEC, USN, DPWO of the Sixth Naval District, directed that the surcharge method be employed, and a notice to proceed with the additional diking and increased height of fill over the runway and taxiway extension area was issued on 11 July 1951 to the Standard Dredging Co. as a change order under Contract NOy 23817 for dredging the carrier turning basin.

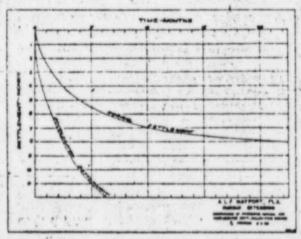


Figure 4.—Comparison of normal and accelerated settlement-time curves shows how surcharge would overconsolidate muck in less than 5 months.

The surcharge was completed on 30 September 1951. Settlement markers, consisting of 12-foot lengths of 1-inch pipe were driven into the fill at 12 locations. The tops of the pipe markers were set at elevation +20.0 feet. Survey crews were assigned to take periodic levels on the pipe markers, resulting in the actual settlement-time curves of figure 5.

Shortly after completion of the fill, many springs and rivulets developed at intervals along the toe of the slope on both sides. At some points the water "bleeding" out of the fill was dark brown or reddish in color, and gave forth an offensive odor. This seemed good evidence that water was

There was no noticeable heaving or lateral displacement of the muck from beneath the edges of the fill.

By early January 1952, the springs at the toe of ite slope had markedly diminished, and by the aid of February they had ceased flowing altogether. According to level readings, the rate of sub-idence had lessened considerably, and settlements had been reached which were in excess of the final settlements that would have occurred under the permanent load as shown in figure 3. As a check, additional borings were made and undisturbed samples sent to the Bureau's Soils Laboratory.

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The boring logs disclosed that the muck layer had been compressed to roughly half its original thickness. The average wet unit weight had increased to 102 pounds per cubic foot and the moisture decreased to 67 percent.

The combined results of the changes in soil strata as disclosed by the final borings, and the changes in soil characteristics as computed from consolidometer tests, are illustrated for a typical location by figure 6, which was taken from the report prepared by the Bureau's Soil Mechanics Section. The comparison of the before and after borings clearly indicates the decrease in thickness of the muck stratum due to consolidation.

The right-hand portion of figure 6 shows the computed pressures within the soil as a function

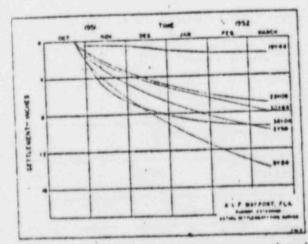


Figure 5.—Actual time-settlement curves were plotted from level readings an pipe markers.

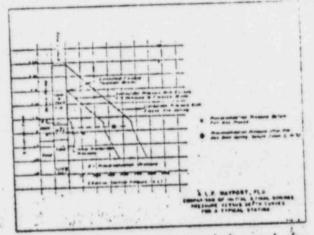


Figure 6.—Comparison of borings before and after filling shows decrease in muck thickness due to consolidation.

of depth for the surcharge condition and for the permanent load after removal of the surcharge. The circled "X" represents the "preconsolidation pressure" of the undisturbed sample taken at this station. The preconsolidation pressure is that pressure with which the soil sample has reached equilibrium, with the result that no pore pressure exists with the preconsolidation pressure acting. This pressure is estimated closely from voidsratio vs. pressure curves plotted in the laboratory. In the case of this sample, the precensolidation pressure is in excess of the pressure which will result from the completed runway fill. Therefore, no pore pressure would exist, no more water would be squeezed out of the voids, and the soil will carry the load without further consolidation.

As the results of tests on the other samples were similar, it was definitely concluded by the Bureau that accelerated consolidation by means of the surcharge had taken place as predicted, and that it was safe to proceed with final grading and paving without danger of settlement and consequent pavement failure.

The foregoing is a good example of the successful application of soil mechanics to an unusual foundation problem arising in the field, and demonstrates that such problems may often be solved with facility if the Officer in Charge calls upon the services of the Bureau's Soil Mechanics Section.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: A. Schwencer, Acting Chief

Licensing Branch No. 3, DL

FROM:

George Lear, Chief

Hydrologic and Geotechnical Engineering Branch, DE

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FIELD EXPLORATIONS AND INFORMATION

PLANT MAME: Midland Plants, Units 1 and 2

LICENSING STAGE: Post CP DOCKET NUMBERS: 50-329/330

RESPONSIBLE BRANCH: LB No. 3; D. Hood, PM

REQUESTED COMPLETION DATE: N/A REVIEW STATUS: Continuing

The Consultant to NRC Geotechnical Engineering Section, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, has requested additional borings and soil data to permit verification of Consumers Power Company (CPGp) computations and conclusions concerning the plant fill settlement problem and foundation design. This request was initially submitted by P. McCallister, Chief, Engineering Division to Dr. Robert E. Jackson, DSS, by letter dated 27 March 1980 and later revised in letter of 16 April 1980. We have enclosed a copy of this later letter as Enclosure 2.

We have modified the Corps request for information since several of the items have been provided in more recent submittals from CPCo. In addition, we have attempted to condense the Corps request into the customary format used by NRC in identifying and asking questions and taking staff positions since this procedure has definite advantages in evaluating the applicant's responses. The contents of Enclosure 1 have been coordinated with and concurred in by the Corps.

We request that Enclosure 1 be submitted now to CPCo to permit their planning of the required subsurface exploration program. We recommend that the explorations do not physically begin until CPCo has received and absorbed an Interim Report from the Corps. Receipt of this Interim Report from the Corps is expected by June 6, 1980. This report will detail the required geotechnical engineering studies that are to be based on the field and laboratory test results on soil samples to be recovered in the requested exploration program.

This memorandum and Enclosure 1 was prepared by J. D. Kane, GES, HGEB, DE.

George Lear, Chief Hydrologic and Geotechnical Engineering Branch livision of Engineering

cc: See next page.

MIDLAND PLANT - UNITS 1 AND 2 CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY DOCKET NO. 50-329/330

QUESTIONS AND POSITIONS-GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING PREPARED BY: J. D. Kane, GES, HGEB

from the review comments of the U. S. Army Co. ps of Engineers, Detroit District

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Provide the boring logs for the following explorations: a. Pull down holes PD-1 thru PD-27 (35 holes that includex 8A, 20A, 20B, 20C, 15A, 15B, 15C, and 27A)

b. LOX-1 thru LON-13 (13 holes)

c. TH-1 thru TH-3 and PZ-1 thru PZ-48 (53 holes)

d. OW-1 thru OH-3 (3 holes)

e. TEX-1 thru TEX-7 Q-1 thru Q-12 (19 holes)

The logs should include date and method of drilling, the type and location of samples attempted. Also please provide the locations, boring logs and available test data of any exploration completed in 1979 and 1980 but has not yet been submitted.

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The refusal of the Applicant in previous responses to Questions 5 and 35 to complete additional explorations, sampling and labor-(Qued. 5%35) atory testing following the preload program is unacceptable. to the staff. We require that CPCo complete as a minimum, the exploration and testing program indicated on Table Q 362.19-1. Several reasons for not accepting the Applicant's previous responses include:

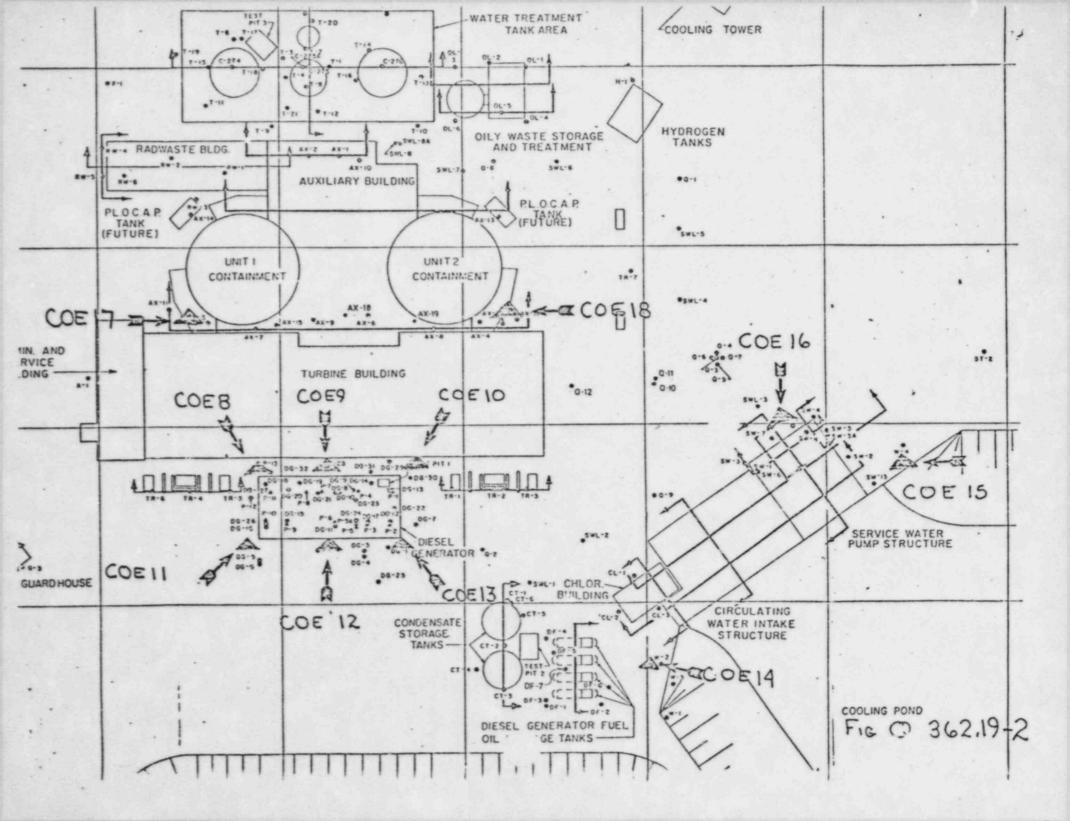
- a. We do not agree that the preload program as completed on the heterogeneous materials which were placed as structural fill is an improvement or would necessarily produce foundation soils of more uniform engineering properties than if the material had been properly compacted to the original requirement established in the PSAR.
- b. We feel it is prudent to independently verify the predictions of future settlement and the conclusions of the preload program which was complicated by the simultaneous ratsing of the cooling pond reservoir. In addition, an estimate of total and differential settlement is still required for involved structures following drawdown under the proposed permanent dewatering system.
- Provide a discussion that addresses whether there are seismic safety -related piping and conduit connections with other 362.20 structures such as the Radwaste Building and Turbine Building which have also been constructed on the plant fill now experiencing the settlement problem.

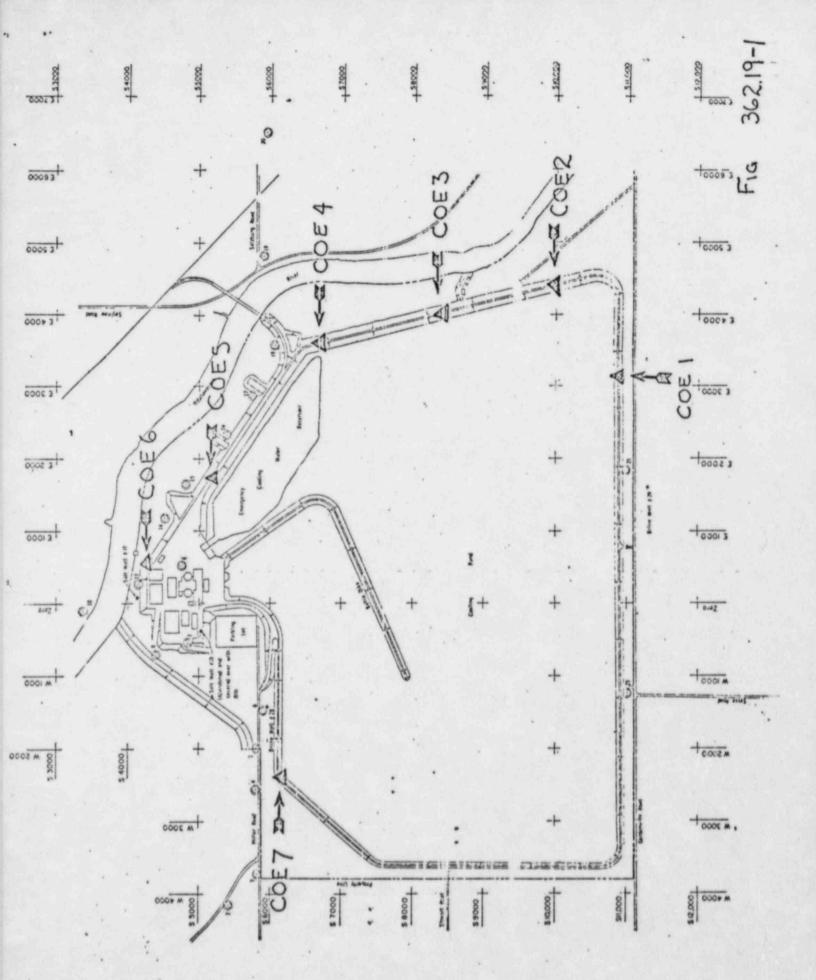
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Request for Additional Explorations, Sampling and Testing

Location 1/	Depth 2/	Sampling 3/	Lab Testing 4/	Anticipated Geotechnical Engineering Studies to be Required
Hesel Generator Building Assemble to	Thru fill and a minimum of 5' into natural glacial till soils	Classify samples according to Unified Soils Classification System	For cohesive soils C-D (Consolidated-Drained) C-U (Consolidated-Undrained) Consolidation 5/	Bearing Capacity Settlement
			For sands Drained Direct Shear on both loose & dense speci- mens Relative Density	
ervice Water Pump tructure and Re- aining Walls xiliary building	Same as above	Same as above	Same as above except con- solidation testing would be limited to samples in retaining wall foundation.	Pile and Caisson Foundation Design (Vertical and Lateral Load Support Retaining Wall Stability & Settlement.
Cooling Pond Embankments	Extend thru fill and a minimum of 5' into natural residual soils except hole no. 5 which should extent to bottom elevation of cooling pond.	d	For cohesive soils C-D (Consolidated-Drained) C-D (Consolidated-Undrained)	Slope Stability

- See attached Fig. Q 362.19-1 for approximate boring location. Holes to be accurately located in the field to avoid obstructions, underground piping and conduits and slurry trench area.
- 2/ no boring is to be terminated in loose or soft soils.
- Continuous split spoon sampling using SPT is required. Holes are to be held open where explining using either casing or hollow stem auger. Additional borings to obtain, representative undisturbed samples for detailed laboratory testing should be located at the completion and evaluation of the split spoon sampling program. The groundwater level should be recorded at the completion of drilling in all borings once the level has stabilized.
- Normal classification (e.g., gradation, Atterberg Limits) unit weight and moisture content testing to be performed on representative samples from each significant foundation layer. This column pertains to lab testing in addition to the above mentioned tests. It is requested that at least one week notice be provided to the NRC before opening undisturbed samples to permit on site visual observation by Corps of Engineer representative.
- 5/ The maximum load should be great enough to establish the straight-line portion of the void ratio-pressure curve.





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Inclosure I to our letter of 27 March 1989 has been revised and attached bereto. The two maps provided indicating boring locations remain unchanged.

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FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER

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1. It is requested that the applicant formish the boring loss listed below indicating when and how these were taken, the type of sampling, and samples taken:

Pull down holes PD-1 thru PD-274 (35 holes)

LOW-1 thru LGu-13 & W-1 thru 1-4 (15 Holes)

TW-1 thru TW-5 & PZ-1 thru PZ-48 (53 holes)

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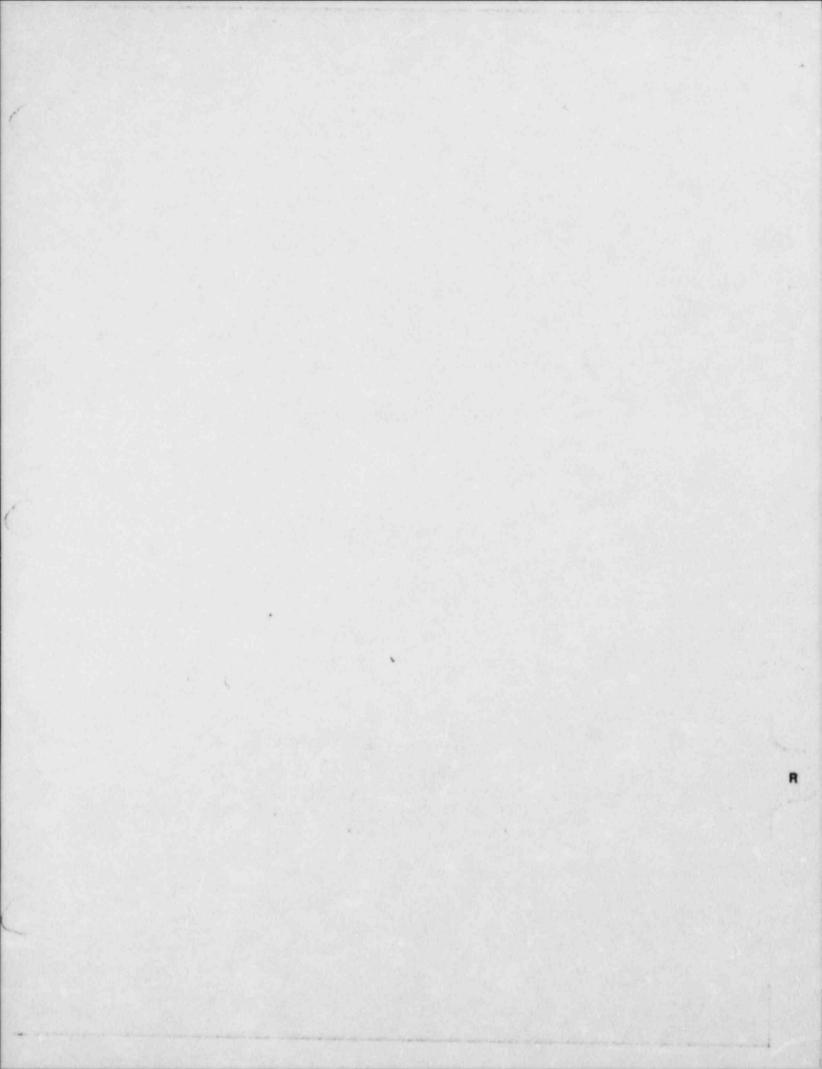
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MEMBERSHIPS:

Task Force member for preparation of Design Guide C-2.35 - Support for RCS systems (Initial Issue)

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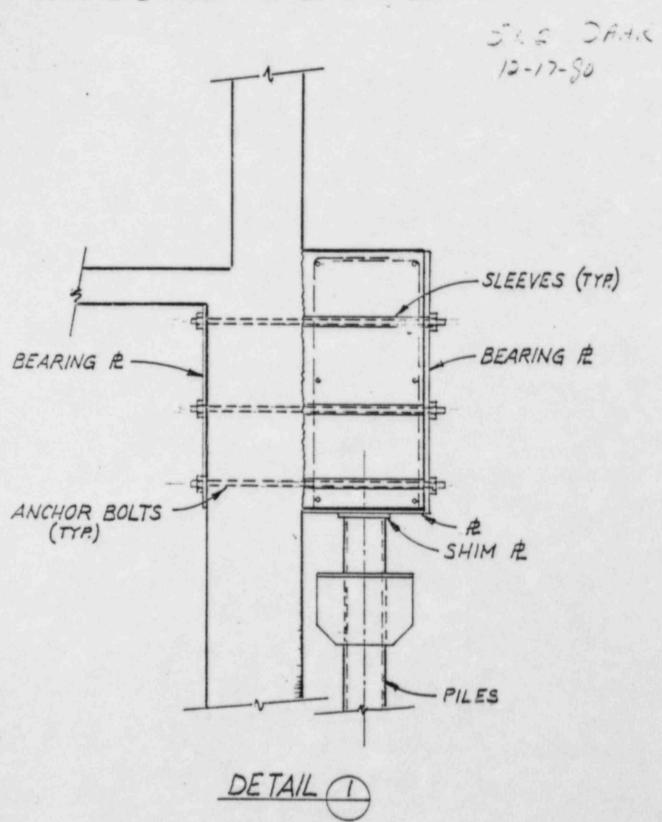
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1/67 12/70	Engineers India Ltd. New Delhi,India S.K.N.S. Dixit	Senior Engineer: analysis and design of structures for a lube oil plant from initial stages till completion.
3.71 6/73	Sargent & Lundy Structural Eng.Dept. Chicago, Ill H. H. Shah	Engineer: analysis of structures for normal and abnormal load. Remedial action to coal bunkers to correct local failures in their components. Report evaluating effect of aircraft impact and pipe break o/s containment on category I structures for Zion Nuclear Station. Report evaluating the forces due to seismic event for LaSalle & Bailly Nuclear Stations. Assisted in preparing design guides for coal bunkers.
7/73 10/74		Senior Engineer: responsible for design of containment internal structures for Quanicasse and later Midland plant. Checking calculations of base slab for containment - Grand Gulf Nuclear Station. Preparation of Design Guide C-2.35.
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11/76 7/78	Bechtel Power Corporation Ann Arbor, MI G. Tuveson " "	Senior Engineer: responsible for restraints and jet barriers for RCS piping for Midland plant. Engineering Supervisor: group leader for containment building, Midland plant. Responsible for pipe whip restraints, NSSS re-analysis and coordination of internal structures and construction support. During this period significant part of containment exterior and interior structures were constructed
3/78 6/79	" "	Engineering Supervisor: deputy group supervisor and civil task force member for resolution of soil compaction problems for Midland plant. Took part in investigation and definition of problem, development of remedial actions. Interfacing with client, consultants and NRC for technical discussion and presentation. Helped group supervisor by performing specific assignments to resolve problems.

Engineering Supervisor: group supervisor (Civil), responsible for Civil/Structural work for the Midland plant.

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Calculation of Modulus of Subgrade Reaction For Long Buried Structures

The subgrade modulus for a buried pipe or duct bank to be used in the seismic analysis as described in BC-TOP-4, Section 6.0 is calculated by the method presented in Reference 1.

Go = pCs -- Go = Soil shear modulus at low shear strain (70 = 10-4 70)

p = soil density

Cs = Shear wave velocity of soil layer under consideration

Reference 1 - "Seismic Design of Buried Piping",
M. Avub Igbal, Evans C. Goodling, Jr., Paper
presented at the 2nd ASCE specialty Conference
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o = deflection of structure

B = width of structure

M = Poisson's ratio

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Es = Young's modulus of the soil

$$k = 0.65 \sqrt{\frac{E_S B^4}{E_I} \left(\frac{E_S}{1-m^2}\right)}$$

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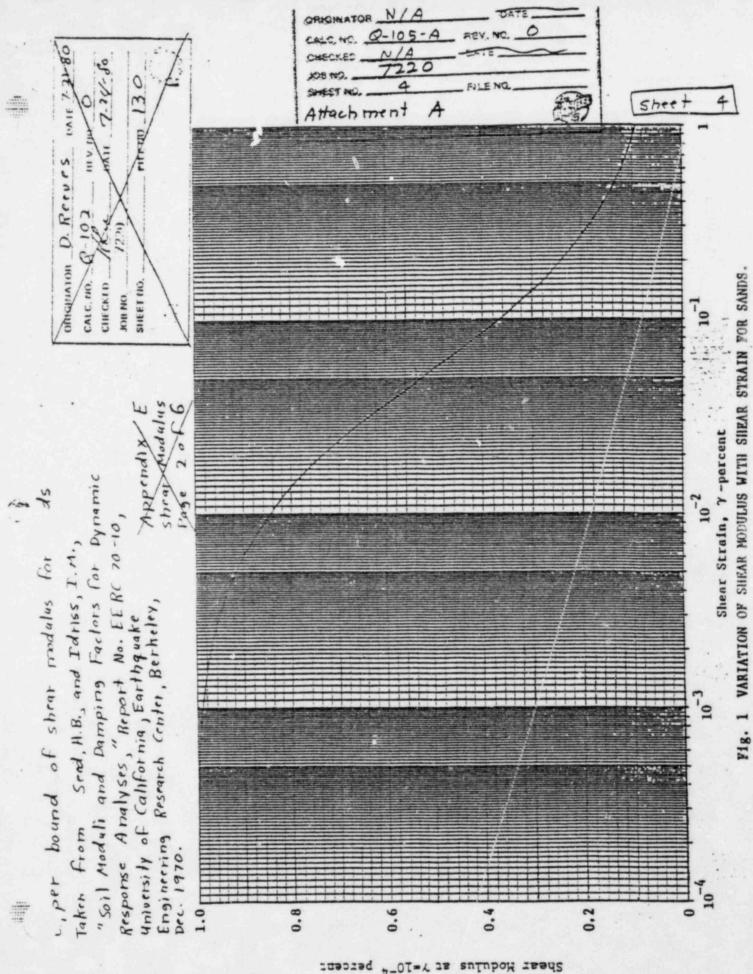
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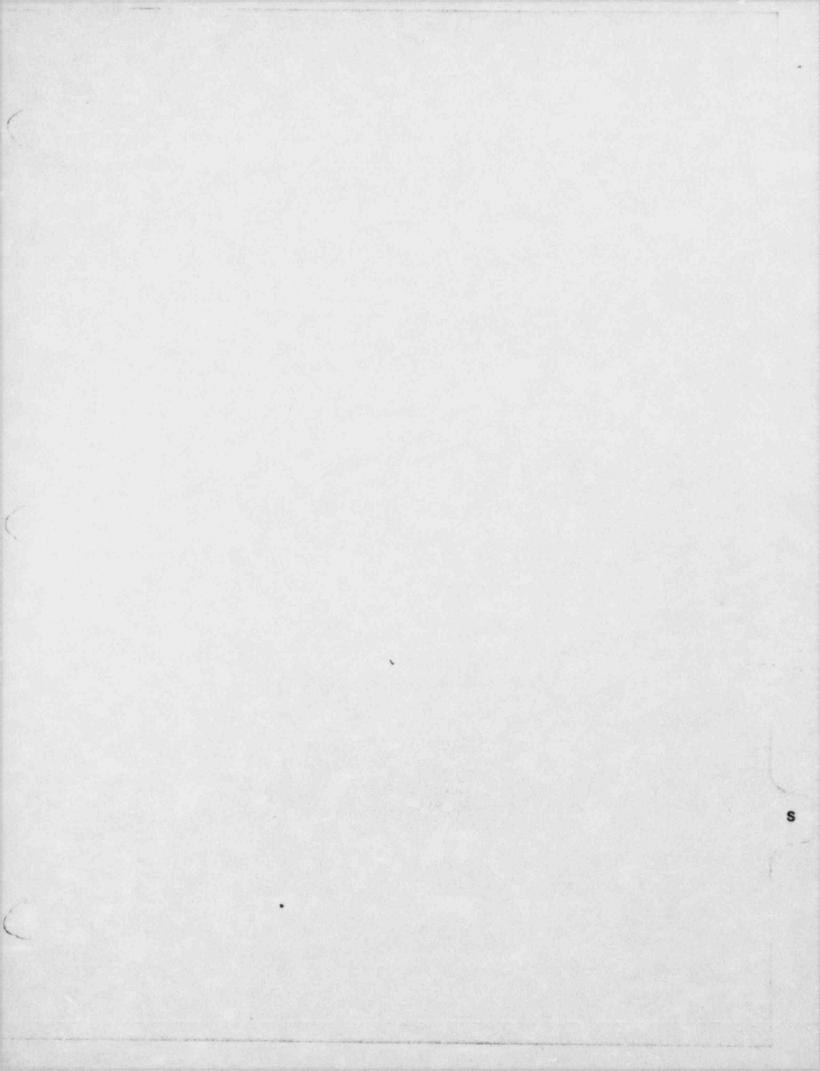
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March 12, 1979

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H. D. Thornburg, Director, Division of Reactor

Construction Inspection

Office of Inspection and Enforcement

FROM:

James G. Keppler, Director

SUBJECT:

MIDLAND DIESEL GENERATOR BUILDING AND PLANT AREA

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Meetings on this subject were held on February 23, 1979 and March 5, 1979, between Consumers Power Company, Bechtel Corporation and NRC. These meetings were a continuation of the investigation conducted by our inspectors during December 11-13, 18-20, 1978 and January 4-5, 9-11, 22-25, 1979.

During the February 23, 1979 meeting we presented to Consumers Power Company our preliminary investigation findings, a copy of which was previously forwarded to you.

During the March 5, 1979 meeting Consumers Power Company provided their responses to those findings, copies of which are enclosed.

Our summary findings with regard to this matter are as follows:

- 1. The quality assurance program for obtaining proper soil compaction of the Midland site was deficient in a number of areas.
- 2. Soil of the type used in the foundation of the diesel generator building is also located, to varying degrees, under other Class I structures. Whereas excessive settlement has been observed with the diesel generator building, the settlement of other Class I structures has not exceeded predicted values.
- Several incorrect statements are contained in the FSAR with respect to the soil foundation.

In addition to these findings, we have compiled a list of technical questions which bear on the resolution of this problem. These are enclosed for your use in working with NRR.

March 12, 1979

As previously discussed with you, one of our concerns is related to why construction activities at the Midland site, which could be affected by a Class I structure settlement should be continued while the total cause of the diesel generator settlement has not yet been determined. During the meeting on March 5, 1979, this question was posed to the licensee. Their response was that continuing scheduled construction work would not compromise the committed evaluations or remedial actions nor make irrevocable any conditions which do not fully satisfy FSAR or licensing requirements. Based on this, they are willing to accept the risk of continued construction.

In that we have questioned the licensee's intent to continue construction, we consider that the matter also warrants examination by HQ. This examination we feel also involves NRR for the following reasons:

- If one assumes the foundation settlement placement was in accordance with design, then the matter of design adequacy becomes questionable.
- 2. If one assumes foundation placement did not meet design specification, one must question acceptability of the soils condition under the affected structures. It should be pointed out again, that the type of soils placed under the diesel generator building were also the type placed under other Class I structures and associated pipes and utility lines.
- In light of items a and b above, the matter of seismic design also becomes one of concern.
- 4. Because of the licensee's total evaluation of the specific cause for the diesel generator and plant area fill settlement is not yet complete, the question of FSAR design review and its acceptability may warrant further attention by NRR.

As an alternate approach to the issue, consideration should be given to an NRC Directive or Show Cause Order which could expedite the licensee's confirmation to the NRC that continued construction will not compromise the design function of the involved structures for the life-time of the plant. It may also expedite the licensee's investigation into the basic cause of the diesel generator settlement and its relationship (or absence) to other Class I structures.

H. D. Thornburg March 12, 1979 - 3 -We will continue to followup on this matter and keep you informed of new information. Enclosures: As stated

MIDLAND QUESTIONS

- The licensee has stated that the fill has settled under its own weight. What assurance is provided that the fill has not settled locally under:
 - a. Structures with rigid mat foundations as portions of the auxiliary building or service water pump structure.
 - b. Class I piping in the fill resulting in lack of continuous support causing additional stress not accounted for in design.
- 2. How has the lack of compaction and the increase in soil compressibility affected the seismic response spectra used in design and therefore, the soil-structure interaction during seismic loading?
- 3. After current preloading material is removed will additional borings be taken to ascertain that the material has been compacted to the original requirements set forth in the PSAR and construction license application?
- 4. Since the foundation material is variable as described in 50.55(e) interim report number 4, how can long term differential settlement be predicted to assure reliable startup of the D/G in the event of emergency?
- 5. What tolerance does the D/G manufacturer require on the alignment of the D/G for reliable operation and startup?
- 6. Preliminary information indicates that the piping in fill under and in the vicinity of the D/G building have gross deformations induced either prior to or during the preload program. What is the extent of the deformation. Is this deformation beyond predicted? If so, what plans are being taken to correct the condition?
- 7. The borated water storage tanks and diesel fuel oil tanks have not yet been constructed and are to be located in questionable plant fill of varying quality. Why should those Class I structures be constructed prior to assuring the foundation material is capable of supporting such structures for the plant life?

MIDLAND QUESTIONS

- 8. FSAR Figure 2.5-48 shows estimated ultimate settlements which indicate a differential settlement across individual mat foundation and within individual structures. Was this differential accounted for in the original design of the mat foundation and in the design of structural member within the structure. If not, what effect does this differential settlement have on additional stresses induced in the mat or in structure members such as slab-beam-column connections?
- 9. Based on the information provided in CPCo interim report number 4, it appears that the tests performed on the exploratory borings indicate soil properties that do not meet the original compaction criteria set forth in the PSAR and specification for soils work. What assurance is there that the soil under other Class I structures not accessible to exploratory boring meet the control compaction requirements?



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FROM:

Thomas R. Gibbon

Legal Assistant to Commissioner Bradford

POSSIBLE EX PARTE CONTACT IN MIDLAND PROCEEDING, DOCKET #

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On July 30, 1980, I had extensive discussions with James G. Keppler, Director of Region III, and other Region III personnel on general NRC enforcement issues. During the course of these general discussions, we touched briefly upon the Midland case. I have recently reviewed my notes of these conversations and have now realized that the Midland conversation could be considered an ex parte contact. Accordingly, I request that pursuant to 10 CFR 2.780, you serve a copy of this memo and the attached summary of discussion upon all the parties in the Midland proceeding and also place these documents in the PDR. With regard to the summary of the discussion, Mr. Keppler notes that while there are some technical inaccuracies, the substance of the discussion is portrayed correctly.

Attachment: As stated

cc: James G. Keppler

Keppler also stated that the Commissioners needed to express in one form or another the philosophy that once something is found wrong at the construction site, construction will stop in that area until the item was resolved. He gave the example of Midland where I&E found that the diesel generator building had settled excessively. They also found that there was no Q/A program of any substance related to the basic foundation of the site. He said there really wasn't a Q/A program in this area. In response to this, the NRC issued an order which said that this should be remedied or work would be stopped in 30 days. The company requested a hearing and, therefore, stayed the order. Midland is continuing work today which will make resolution of the settlement problem much more difficult. Keppler said that the staff had not yet made up their minds on whether the fix proposed by Midland is acceptable. Therefore, the project continues to be built and the problem gets worse. He wanted the work stopped until the problem is solved.