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SUBJECT: TEMPORARY RELIEF REQUEST FROM THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL CODE (ASME CODE) REQUIREMENTS TO DELAY REPAIR OF LEAK IN A HALF-COUPLING LOCATED IN THE COMMON SALTWATER DISCHARGE HEADER, CALVERT CLIFFS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT NO. 1 (TAC NO. M91933)

Dear Mr. Denton:

By letter dated March 23, 1995, as supplemented on August 8 and September 11, 1995, Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) requested temporary relief from the ASME Code, Section XI, Article IWA-5250, to repair a leak in a half-coupling located on the bottom of the common saltwater discharge header in the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit No. 1, service water pump room.

You proposed an alternative to ASME Code Section XI repair requirements in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.55(a)(3)(ii) in that compliance with the specified Code requirements would result in hardship or unusual difficulty without a compensating increase in the level of quality or safety and requested temporary relief pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(5)(iii). Your request is to delay performing the Code required repair or replacement of the half-coupling until no later than the next Unit 1 refueling outage.

The NRC staff finds that the Code requirements in this case are impractical and would result in undue hardship without a compensating increase in the level of quality and safety. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i) relief is granted until the next scheduled outage exceeding 30 days, but no later than the next scheduled Unit 1 refueling outage. Our Safety Evaluation supporting this finding is enclosed.

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Sincerely,

Original signed by:  
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Docket Nos. 50-317

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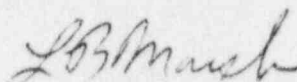
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