

PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

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Perry Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-440 Proposal for Self-Assessment for Engineering and Technical Support (E&TS) Inspection

Gentlemen:

In response to your letter of May 17, 1995 (letter PY-OIE/CEI-0620L), the Perry Nuclear Power Plant (PNPP) is proposing to perform a self-assessment of engineering activities in lieu of the planned NRC Engineering and Technical Support (E&TS) Inspection. The self-assessment plan will be developed considering the guidance contained in NRC Inspection Procedure 40501, "Licensee Self-Assessments Related to Safety Issues Inspections." This self-assessment will allow the NRC to perform a limited-scope, in-depth inspection as an alternative to a full scope inspection.

The self-assessment will be performed in September 1995 and is expected to be approximately three weeks in length.

The self-assessment will be performed pursuant to NRC Inspection Procedure 37550, "Engineering." Prior to the start of the self-assessment, an assessment plan will be developed incorporating the guidance of NRC Inspection Procedure 37550 and will delineate the schedule, scope, and team composition of the self-assessment.

In performing a self-assessment in lieu of the full scope NRC E&TS Inspection, the PNPP engineering organization's effectiveness will be thoroughly evaluated, while also demonstrating PNPP's commitment and ability to critically assess performance.

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A formal E&TS self-assessment plan will be submitted by mid-July 1995.

In order to more completely discuss the details of the self-assessment preparations and plans, a meeting will be scheduled with your staff following the July 1995 submittal.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. James D. Kloosterman, Manager - Regulatory Affairs at (216) 280-5833.

Very train yours,

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