Docket No. 50-346

Mr. Richard P. Crouse Vice President, Nuclear Toledo Edison Company Edison Plaza - Stop 712 300 Madison Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43652

Dear Mr. Crouse:

SUBJECT: PROPOSED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION - CONTAINMENT PURGE AND

VENT VALVE LEAK TESTING

In response to our request dated December 3, 1982, Toledo Edison Company proposed a Technical Specification modification (item 1 of application dated August 18, 1983, No. 979) which would require periodic leak testing of the containment purge and exhaust valves to detect excessive resilient seal deterioration. The proposed change would impose the leak test requirement each time the valves have been opened if the valves have not been leak tested within the past six months.

The guidelines provided as Enclosure 1 to our December 3, 1982 letter, indicated that the maximum leak test interval for active purge and vent systems should not exceed three months and for passive systems should not exceed six months. The periodic leak test proposed in your application would permit the leak test interval to exceed six months. Therefore, the proposed modifications to Section 4.6.1.2 of the Technical Specifications are not acceptable. As an alternative to your proposed test program, the staff would find acceptable (1) tests of the isolation valves at three-month intervals, or tests of the isolation valves after each useage of a purge and vent system with a maximum interval of six months between leak tests.

Please note that the above mentioned enclosure 1 refers to leak testing of containment purge and vent system isolation valves with resilient seals. Therefore, the proposed Technical Specifiations should apply to any size purge and vent valve if equipped with such seals.

We request that you review the attached Safety Evaluation Report on your proposed amendment and revise your proposal accordingly. Please submit the revised material no later than September 7, 1984.

Sincerely,

John F. Stolz, Chief Operating Reactors Branch #4 Division of Licensing

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation

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