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MIDLAND PROJECT DOCKETS 50-329 AND 50-330 UNDERPINNING INSTRUMENTATION INSTALLATION FILE 0485.16 SERIAL 16779

This relates to the Midland Project Quality Assurance Program application to the installation activities of instrumentation pertaining to the underpinning of the auxiliary building and appurtenances. As agreed during the I&E inspection of March 17 through 19, 1982, these activities have been reclassified and will be controlled by the Project Quality Assurance Program. This is in addition to the original Q listed activities of the check-out and calibration of the instrumentation. In a telephone conversation on March 19, 1982, between Messrs B Marguglio and W Little, we advised you that in order to implement this reclassification, we have suspended all underpinning instrumentation installation, as of March 19, until:

- a. Approved, controlled drawings and procedures or instructions are developed to prescribe underpinning instrumentation installation activities (ie, cable pulling, cable termination, instrument installation, and testing).
- b. Plans are established to inspect and audit installation activities covered by a., above.
- c. Region III has concurred that a. and b., above, are complete, with the understanding that any segment of the activity may proceed after the completion of a. and b., and after obtaining Region III's concurrence for that segment--eg, cable pulling.

All instrument installation activities performed prior to the work suspension will be evaluated to determine acceptability. The results of this documented evaluation will be implemented.

In addition, measures will be established for the selection and review of the acceptability of purchase enderpinning instrumentation equipment.

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