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Subject: Withdrawal of Request for Temporary Waiver of Compliance from

Technical Specification 3.4.11 (Reactor Coolant System -

Reactor Coolant System Vents)

Gentlemen:

Toledo Edison, by letter dated March 13, 1992 (Reference Serial Number 2026), submitted an application for an amendment to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS), Unit 1 Operating License Number NPF-3, Appendix A, Technical Specifications (is), proposing changes involving TS 3.4.11, Reactor Coolant System - Reactor Coolant System Vents, and TS 6.9.2, Reporting Requirements - Special Reports. The Reactor Coolant System (RCS) Loop 2 vent path became inoperable on March 1, 1992, when it was manually isolated by valve RC 44 to minimize roterial RCS leakage. To avoid an unwarranted plant shutdown in the event that the inoperable RCS Loop 2 vent path could not be returned to operable status within the 30 day allowed outage time of TS 3.4.11, Toledo Edison requested that this license amendment application be processed in the manner allowed by 10 CFR 50.91(a) for exigent or emergency circumstances.

Toledo Edison, by letter dated March 20, 1992 (Reference Serial Number 2032), also submitted a request for a temporary waiver of compliance with TS Action 3.4.11.a to allow the plant to continue operating in Mode 1 while the previously submitted application for a license amendment was processed.

Toledo Edison has kept the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff informed (by telephone) of its efforts to restore the affected RCS Loop 2 vent path to operable status. On March 25, 1992, the RCS Loop 2 vent path solenoid valves RC 4610A and RC 4610B were stroked (from the control room) to ensure a proper seating. On March 26, 1992, a containment entry was made to open upstream manual valve RC 44. No discernible leakage from RC 4610A and RC 4610B was observed at that time. Therefore, Valve RC 44 was left open and the TS 3.4.11 Action statement was exited at 0922 hours on March 26, 1992. Based on the

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above, Toledo Edison notified NRC Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) Project Directorate III-3 Director J. N. Hannon by telephone on March 30, 1992, that the request for a temporary waiver of compliance was withdrawn, and that exigent or emergency processing of the license amendment application was no longer required. However, Toledo Edison requests that the proposed license amendment application be processed in an expeditious manner. Toledo Edison will be contacting the NRC staff shortly with regards to providing requester information concerning the continuous vent line.

In the meantime, should further information be required, please contact Mr. Robert W. Schrauder, Manager - Nuclear Licensing, at (419) 249-2366.

Very truly yours,

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