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August 13, 1984
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Mr. James R. Miller, Chief
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Division of Licensing
Operating Reactors Branch No. 3
Washington, D. C. 20555

- References: (1) Letter from W. D. Jones to R. A. Clark, dated March 8, 1983,
(LIC-83-054).
- (2) Docket No. 50-285

Dear Mr. Miller:

Toxic Gas Monitoring (TGM) Instrumentation

The Omaha Public Power District's letter to the Commission, dated March 8, 1983, provided a revised schedule for completion of the subject modification. That schedule was based upon the necessity of evaluating the adequacy of the Control Room Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) System to handle the increased heat load from the SPDS, ERF computer and other TMI related modifications. That evaluation could have resulted in an increase in the air flow into the control room which would change the habitability study results and the required response time and sensitivity of the toxic gas monitors. Final selection of the toxic gas monitors was postponed until completion of the control room HVAC evaluation.

The Control Room HVAC evaluation was completed and the toxic gas monitors were then purchased. During the installation and testing of the Toxic Gas Monitors, several problems developed and have delayed the District's final completion of the modification. Due to the problems encountered during the installation and testing, Mr. E. G. Tourigny of your staff was notified on June 28, 1984, that the Toxic Gas Monitoring System would not be operable by June 30, 1984. Since the June 28, 1984 notification, the District has kept Mr. E. G. Tourigny informed as to the status of the Toxic Gas Monitoring System.

Presently, the TGM system is installed, tested and operating. However, the TGM system cannot yet be declared completely operable, as discussed by telephone with Mr. E. G. Tourigny of your staff on August 3, 1984, because several procedures related to the TGM system must be revised due to some changes made to the Toxic Gas Monitoring System. In addition, these procedures must be reviewed and approved by the Plant Review Committee (PRC) and numerous personnel must receive training prior to the TGM system being declared fully operable.

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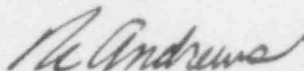
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Based upon the time required for procedure review and approval, and the training of personnel on the TGM system, the District intends to declare the TGM system fully operable by September 30, 1984. The proposed Technical Specifications for the TGM system will be submitted after the system is declared fully operable.

Sincerely,



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