

December 19, 1995 Fort St. Vrain P-95123

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

ATTN:

Mr. Michael F. Weber, Chief

Decommissioning and Regulatory Issues Branch

Docket No. 50-267

SUBJECT:

Fort St. Vrain Final Survey Program, Technical Basis Documents for

Instrumentation

REFERENCES:

- PSCo Letter, Fisher to Weber, dated November 15, 1995 (P-95102); "Final Survey Plan for Site Release, Supplemental Information"
- PSCo Letter, Fisher to Weber, dated October 12, 1995 (P-95077); "Final Survey Plan for Site Release, Proposed Revisions for Survey of Piping Systems and Suspect Affected Survey Units"

Dear Mr. Weber:

This letter provides additional information regarding the Technical Basis Document (TBD) package submitted on November 15, 1995 (Reference 1). This TBD package describes instrumentation developed by the Scientific Ecology Group (SEG) for surveying internal piping system surfaces at Fort St. Vrain.

The Westinghouse Electric Corporation is applying for patent protection for this survey instrumentation and requested that much of the information in the TBD package be withheld from public disclosure. During discussions with Messrs. Clayton Pittiglio and David Fauver of your staff, Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo) and SEG agreed to provide a revised TBD package, with more extensive information available for public review, after the patent application is filed.

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PSCo will provide a revised TBD package by January 31, 1996. Until the revised TBD package is submitted, PSCo requests that the NRC continue your review of our proposed methods for surveying piping systems, submitted in Reference 2, using the survey instrument descriptions contained in the Reference 1 TBD submittal.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Mr. M. H. Holmes at (303) 620-1701.

Sincerely,

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Decommissioning Program Director

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cc: Regional Administrator, Region IV

Mr. Robert M. Quillin, Director Radiation Control Division Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment