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EF2-69289

Mr. James G. Keppler
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799 Roosevelt Road
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Dear Mr. Keppler:

Reference: (1) Fermi 2
NRC Docket No. 50-341
(2) Letter, W. H. Jens to J. G. Keppler,
April 19, 1984, EF2-68253
Subject: Final Evaluation of 10CFR50.55(e) Item 120
"NPS Industries Inc. Pipe Support Components
With the Same Part Number"

Detroit Edison has completed its investigation of Item 120 and has determined that it is not reportable under 10CFR50.55(e). This item concerned NPS Industries, Inc. (NPSI) supplying different sizes of pipe support components which utilized the same part number. Item 120 was originally reported as a potential deficiency on March 19, 1984, and was subsequently documented in Reference (2).

This situation was discovered during installation of two NPSI sway strut rear brackets. Two support assembly brackets had the same part number but different dimensions. The plate dimension (the part fastened to the structure) for one bracket was 10" x 10" and the plate for the other bracket (a new part) was 7" x 9". It was subsequently learned that NPSI had changed the physical dimensions of other parts, issued new data sheets, and shipped the support assemblies to customers. The parts retained the same part number, but the parts' size, thickness, etc. may have changed.

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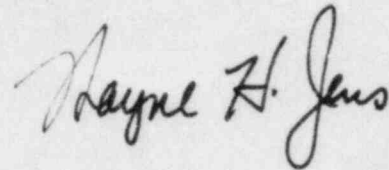
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Detroit Edison purchased both old and new support assemblies from NPSI. Although the size or thickness of a component within a support assembly had changed, these changes did not reduce the rated capacity of the support assemblies. These changes would routinely have been made under NPSI's quality assurance program which had been reviewed and accepted by Detroit Edison. Detroit Edison has concluded that this situation, were it to have remained uncorrected, would not have adversely affected the safe operation of the plant.

This is Detroit Edison's final report on this item. If you have questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Lewis P. Bregni, (313) 586-5083.

Sincerely,



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