September 6, 1984

Docket No. 50-289

Mrs. Paula Kinney 12 Ray Road Middletown, Pennsylvania 17057

Dear Mrs. Kinney:

At the limited appearance session for the Three Mile Island Unit 1 steam generator repair hearing which was held in Middletown on July 16 and 17, 1984 you raised a question to which the Staff committed to provide a response. Your paraphrased question, and the NRC Staff's answer, are attached.

You also inquired whether, in the event continued degradation occurs after restart and steam generator replacement becomes necessary, the customers will be stuck with the cost of replacing the steam generators and also pay for replacement power while the steam generators are being replaced. As stated by Judge Wolfe at the limited appearance session, this question is one that should be addressed to your state public utility commission.

I trust this letter is responsive to your question.

Sincerely,

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1. Can the Three Mile Island Unit 1 steam generators be physically replaced?

Yes. Several replacement options exist, including total replacement of the entire steam generator or disassembly and replacement of selected components of the original steam generator.

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