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SUBJECT:

INABILITY TO MEET SCHEDULED COMPLETION DATE FOR FIRE PROTECTION MODIFICATION NO. 3.1.14 AT THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1 (TMI-1)

By the enclosed letter dated February 2, 1979, Metropolitan Edison Company informed us that they would not be able to complete fire protection modification No. 3.1.14 (described in the TMI-1 Fire Protection SER) by the scheduled date of "end of refueling 1979" (approximately March 14, 1979). They further requested that the completion date be extended to the "end of refueling 1980" except for the installation of the fire door which would be installed by October 1, 1980.

Since the completion dates for all fire protection modifications is specified in the facility license, a formal amendment of the license is required to change any of those dates.

Accordingly, you are requested to review the acceptability of the proposed delay in implementation of this modification. You are also requested to prepare a written safety evaluation setting forth your conclusions on this matter and the bases for your conclusions. If additional information is needed please advise the TMI-1 ORPM.

Because this matter must be resolved before TMI-1 can operate in Cycle 5 (scheduled to start about March 14, 1979) and because time is needed for preparation of an amendment, if acceptable, and legal review, it is requested that the written Safety Evaluation be provided to the TMI-1 ORPM by February 26, 1979.

Effort on this task should be charged to TACS No. 11238.

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