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Dear Mr. Cahill:

SUBJECT: CASELOAD FORECAST PANEL VISIT TO RIVER BEND STATION

The staff last conducted a Caseload Forecast Panel (CFP) visit to River Bend Station in mid-December 1983. To ensure that the NRC is aware of the status of construction and construction completion schedules for River Bend Station, the staff intends to conduct a CFP visit to your facility on December 4-6, 1984. The purpose for conducting such visits is to enable the staff to most appropriately allocate its resources during the River Bend Station Operating License Review. A list of the information required for this visit is enclosed. Please provide this information to the staff by November 19, 1984.

On December 4, 1984, the CFP will discuss construction progress, the status of the construction program and schedules for construction completion.

On December 5, 1984, the CFP will tour the project and observe construction activities.

On December 6, 1984, the CFP intends to discuss any items of interest for which further information is needed.

As you know, the CFP will not be in a position to discuss its estimate of fuel load date during the visit since the Panel may need additional time to review the data collected.

Please respond in writing within ten days of the date of this letter establishing your ability to support this CFP visit. NRC Licensing Project Manager Edward Weinkam will contact you concerning the names of the Panel members for access consideration and is available to discuss any other matters related to this CFP visit.

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CASELOAD FORECAST PANEL SITE VISIT

- Overview of project construction schedule including progress and major milestones completed, current problems and any anticipated problem areas that may impact the current projected fuel load date.
- Detailed review and current status of design and engineering effort (by major discipline) including any potential problems that may arise from necessary rework.
- 3. Detailed review and current status of procurement activities including valves, pipe, instruments, cable, major components, etc.
- Actual and proposed craft work force (by major craft), craft availability, productivity, potential labor negotiations and problems.
- Detailed review and current status of all large and small bore pipe hangers, restraints, snubbers, etc., including design rework, procurement, fabrication, delivery and installation.
- 6. Detailed review of project schedule identifying critical path items, near critical items, amount of float for various activities, the current critical path to fuel loading, methods of implementation of corrective action for any activities with negative float, and provisions for contingencies. The estimated project percent complete as of March 31, 1983.
- 7. Detailed review and current status of bulk quantities including current estimated quantities, quantities installed to date, quantities scheduled to date, current percent complete for each, actual versus forecast installation rates, in cubic yards/mo., linear feet/mo. or number/mo., and basis for figures.
 - (a) Concrete (CY)
 - (b) Process Pipe (LF)
 - Large Bore Pipe (2 1/2" and larger)
 Small Bore Pipe (2" and smaller)
 - (c) Yard Pipe (LF)
 - (d) Large Bore Pipe Hangers, Restraints, Snubbers (ea)
 - (e) Small Bore Pipe Hangers, Restraints (ea)
 - (f) Cable Tray (LF)
 - (g) Total Conduit (LF)
 - (h) Total Exposed Metal Conduit (LF)

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(i) Cable (LF)

- Power
- Control
- Security
- Instrumentation
- Plant Lighting

(j) Terminations (ea)

- Power
- Control
- Security
- Instrumentation
- Plant Lighting

(k) Electrical Circuits (ea)

- Power
- Control
- Security

(1) Instrumentation (ea)

- 8. Detailed review and current status of preparation of preop and acceptance test procedures, integration of preop and acceptance test activities with construction schedule, system turnover schedule, preop and acceptance tests schedule, current and proposed preop and acceptance tests program manpower.
 - (a) Total number of procedures required for fuel load ...
 - (b) Number of draft procedures not started.
 - (c) Number of draft procedures being written.
 - (d) Number of procedures approved.(e) Number of procedures in review.
 - (f) Total number of preop and acceptance tests required for fuel load.
 - (g) Number of preop and acceptance tests completed.
 - (h) Number of preop and acceptance tests currently in progress.
 - (i) Number of systems turned over to start-up.
- Detailed discussion of potential schedular influence due to changes attributed to NUREG-0737 and other recent licensing requirements.
- Discussion of schedular impact, if any, regarding potential deficiencies reported in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55(e).
- 11. Overview of current construction and startup management organization showing interfaces between the two.
 - 12. Site tour and observation of construction activities.