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SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION DISCHARGES OF CHILLED AND CLOSED COOLING WATER CCN 741326 FILE 012 PLE-6628

Dear Mr. Koval:

To update our telephone conversation of November 27, 1984 concerning the discharge of demineralized chilled and closed cooling water containing nitrites from the Susquehanna SES, we would like to provide the PA Department of Environmental Resources (PA DER) with information characterizing this discharge, the volumes and also the frequency of discharges. At the station, sodium nitrite or borated nitrite are added to these systems for corrosion prevention. The nitrite forms a metallic oxygen film protecting piping and heat exchangers. The level of nitrite in the cooling water is approximately 1,000 ppm. Other parameters such as iron, chloride, oil and grease and isotopic analysis are all within National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) limits and U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Radiological Technical Specifications. The pH level, however, may exceed NPDES limits but upon mixing with the receiving bodies of water, would meet the NPDES limit. The following is a list of chilled and closed systems and their volumes:

SYSTEM		NO. OF TANKS	VOLUME/TANK (gal)
Units 1 & 2	Reactor Bldg. Closed Cooling Water	. 2	4,300
Units 1 & 2	Turbine Bldg. Closed Cooling Water	2	1,150
Units 1 & 2	Gaseous Radwaste Recombiner Closed Cooling Water	2	3,100
Units 1 & 2	Reactor Bldg. Chilled Water	2	4,750

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SYSTEM		NO. OF TANKS	VOLUME/TANK (gal)
Units 1 & 2	Turbine Bldg. Chilled Water	2	6,400
-	Constrol Structure . Chilled Water	1	650
-	Radwaste Bldg. Chilled Water	1	420
A, B, C, D	Diesel Generator* Jacket Water	4	600

^{*} Borated nitrite is used in this system. The other systems use sodium nitrite.

Planned maintenance of these systems would occur annually.

The location of the particular system will determine where the water will be discharged. The following is a list of possible receiving locations:

- o Cooling Tower Basin
- o Cooling Tower Blowdown Line*
- o S-2 Pond
- o Storm Drains

As we indicated previously in letter PLE-6114, October 29, 1984, samples of the water would be sampled prior to discharge.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (215) 770-7889.

Respectfully yours,

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^{*} Through radwaste system.