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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 & 2,
Docket Nos. 50-352 & 50-353
Request for Exemption from 10CFR50, Appendix A, GDC 56

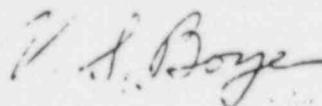
Dear Mr. Denton:

The Limerick Safety Evaluation Report (NUREG-0991, Supplement 1) concludes that the applicant's design of the containment isolation provisions for the hydrogen recombiners "... provided an adequate basis for justifying operation of Limerick Unit 1 through the first cycle. Implementation of the staff position requiring the addition of an (additional) automatic isolation valve in each of the hydrogen recombiner lines penetrating the containment should be completed before startup after the first refueling outage." The SER further states that this represents a justifiable temporary exemption from 10CFR50, Appendix A, General Design Criterion 56.

The SER also states that "... the NRC staff finds the proposed deviation from the requirements of SRP 6.2.4 (for the Drywell Chilled Water and Reactor Enclosure Cooling Water isolation valves) during the first cycle of operation is acceptable." This deviation also represents a justifiable temporary exemption from 10CFR50, Appendix A, General Design Criteria 56.

Based upon the foregoing it is requested that, in accordance with Section 50.12 of the Commission's regulations, the general conclusions of the SER be confirmed by the issuance of specific exemptions to the requirements of 10CFR50, Appendix A, General Design Criterion 56. An affidavit in support of this request is attached hereto.

Very truly yours,



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