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Memo to File Thru: D. L. Caphton, Senior Reactor Inspector Region I Operations Branch

JERSEY CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY - OYSTER CREEK (DN 50-219) LICENSING INTERPRETATION OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION 3.7.C.2

The referenced Tech Spec states in part, "that if one diesel generator becomes inoperable during power operation, repairs shall be initiated immediately and the other diesel shall be operated at least one hour every twenty-four hours . . . " The reactor may remain in operation for a period not to exceed seven days in <u>any</u> thirty day period if a diesel generator is out of service.

The Oyster Creek site informed me yesterday, September 18, 1975, that one diesel generator had been removed from service for annual maintenance, which would be completed this date following five days of down time. The question was asked as to how Region I viewed this Technical Specification with respect to returning the referenced diesel to service and then proceeding with maintenance on the other diesel generator. If the licensee performed the annual maintenance on both units it is likely that the cumulative time a diesel generator would be out of service during the calendar month of September would be on the order of ten days. I informed the licensee that I did not read the Technical Specification in a manner that would preclude thorough annual inspections also required by the Technical Specifications. The subject was discussed with Walt Paulson, the RL Project Manager, on August 19, 1975 who concurs with the expressed position.

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