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Mr. James Newbold
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Dear Mr. Newbold:

Limerick Generating Station
NPDES Permit No. PA 0051926

In accordance with Section 92.7, "Reporting of New or Increased Discharges," of the Department's Rules & Regulations, we hereby request that the subject permit be amended to allow a continuous flow of Perkiomen Creek water to discharge to Possum Hollow Run via outfall 020 (old outfall 006). This discharge is part of a method for providing freeze protection for the Perkiomen Creek make-up storage tank.

At present, outfall 020 is permitted as an overflow for the storage tank with an expected flow rate of 0 gpm. The proposed discharge for freeze protection will result in an overflow of 200 gpm. The flow rate will be established and maintained by running the storage tank make-up pumps at a reduced rate. It is anticipated that this method of freeze protection will be in service from mid October to mid November. Without freeze protection, the make-up system may not remain operable in colder weather. This could lead to a plant shutdown if Schuylkill River make-up water is lost.

Since modifications to the present system will be required, we would appreciate a favorable response by October 16, 1992.

A copy of this letter (including any attachments or enclosures) is being provided to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USNRC) in accordance with the Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, Environmental Protection Plan, Section 3.2, which stipulates that USNRC shall receive a copy of any proposed changes to the NPDES permit at the same time that the permitting agency is notified.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Robert M. Matty, Jr., at (215) 841-5177.

Sincerely,

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