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Mr. William T. Russell, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attn: Document Control Desk Mail Station P1-37 Washington, DC 20555-0001

Subject: Duane Arnold Energy Center

Docket No: 50-331 Op. License No: DPR-49

Revision to Schedule for Submittal of DAEC Conversion to the Standard

Technical Specifications (NUREG-1433)

References: J. Franz (IES) to W. Russell (NRC), "IES Utilities' Intent to Convert the

DAEC Technical Specifications to the Standard Technical Specifications

(NUREG-1433)," NG-94-4485, December 19, 1994.

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Dear Mr. Russell:

In the referenced letter we informed you of our intent to convert the DAEC Technical Specifications (TS) to the new Standard TS (NUREG-1433). In that letter, we proposed a schedule for submittal of our application of mid-1996, with the final schedule to be mutually agreed to by the NRC Staff. Based upon our current estimate for completing this submittal, using the recently-published Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) conversion guidance document (NEI 96-06), as well as feedback from recent NRC conversion reviews, we propose to revise our schedule for submittal to October 31, 1996. This schedule has been communicated to your Staff previously and found to be acceptable based upon current Staff resources.

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The referenced previous commitment is hereby being revised as follows:

Submit the conversion of the DAEC TS to the Standard TS (NUREG-1433) by October 31, 1996.

Please contact this office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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