

July 22, 1996

Mr. E. Watzl
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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF REVISION 17 TO THE PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING
PLANT'S EMERGENCY PLAN

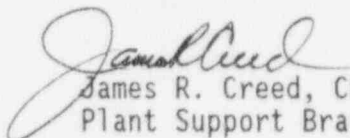
Dear Mr. Watzl:

In April 1996, Region III received Revision 17 of the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant's Emergency Plan. We have reviewed this revision and determined that it is acceptable and does not decrease the effectiveness of your emergency planning.

Revision 17 included clarifications on how emergency response training is provided to certain technicians and how offsite dose assessments would be performed by onshift personnel. Updated information was provided on a variety of topics, including: medical care facilities associated with the plant; onsite radiation monitoring instrumentation; and the plant's normal organization. Revision 17 also included a number of editorial changes.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Mr. T. Ploski of my staff at (708) 829-9812.

Sincerely,


James R. Creed, Chief
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