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Memorandum

TO : Files

DATE: December 9, 1964

FROM : 
Roger S. Boyd, Chief
Research & Power Reactor Safety Branch
Division of Reactor Licensing

SUBJECT: TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH PG&E REGARDING HUMBOLDT BAY,
CHANGE NO. 13

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Mr. James Schuyler of PG&E called on December 7, 1964 to discuss our proposed containment testing criteria which would become part of Change No. 13 to the Humboldt Bay Technical Specifications. This change relates to the Company's proposal to install a continuous leak rate monitoring system for the plant's drywell/suppression pool systems. It was previously intended that this matter be discussed with the ACRS at its December 1964 meeting.

R. Tedesco of DRL discussed the proposed criteria with representatives of PG&E while attending the recent ANS meeting in San Francisco. PG&E indicated that, although they had no problems in accepting the testing criteria proposed, they were unwilling at this time to accept the proposed leakage rate limits. These limits are somewhat more stringent than those proposed by PG&E. Mr. Schuyler indicated that because of this lack of agreement they would prefer not to go to the ACRS at this time, and would like to propose an interim criteria to be applied until the next scheduled refueling outage at which time an integral leak rate test could be undertaken. This would most probably be between October to December 1965.

After discussing this with Ed Case, Dr. Doan and the ACRS, it was agreed that PG&E would not attend the December meeting although the DRL staff would discuss the problem with the Committee. Further, it was decided to tell PG&E that we would be happy to receive any alternate proposal from them or to discuss the matter in more detail once such a proposal had been formulated.

I called Mr. Schuyler later on December 7 to discuss this with him and he agreed that this approach would be appropriate. He further agreed that PG&E would offer some proposal before the end of December and that it would be either by a formal submission or through means of a meeting with regulatory staff members.

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