March 18, 1997 MEMORANDUM TO: Patrick D. Milano, Acting Director Project Directorate I-3 Division of Reactor Projects I/II

FROM: Richard H. Wessman, Chief /s/ Mechanical Engineering Branch Division of Engineering

SUBJECT: PUBLIC MEETING ON FLEXIBLE-WEDGE GATE VALVE PRESSURE LOCKING THRUST METHODOLOGIES

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, April 9, 1997 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

LOCATION: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Two White Flint North Room T-10A1 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852-2738

PURPOSE: Discuss two analytical methods used to predict the thrust required to overcome pressure locking in flexible-wedge gate valves, validation testing of those methods, and the results of pressure locking tests sponsored by the NRC Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (NRR) conducted by Idaho National Engineering Laboratory to assist NRR in the review of licensee submittals in response to Generic Letter 95-07, "Pressure Locking and Thermal Binding of Safety-Related Power-Operated Gate Valves".

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