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SUBJECT: COOPER NUCLEAR STATION - SECOND TEN-YEAR INTERVAL INSERVICE

INSPECTION PROGRAM PLAN RELIEF REQUESTS (TAC NO. M95833)

Dear Mr. Horn:

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The NRC staff, with technical assistance from its contractor, the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory (INEL), has reviewed and evaluated the information provided by NPPD. The staff's evaluation and conclusions are contained in Enclosure 1. Enclosure 2 is the INEL Technical Letter Report. In summary, the staff concludes that the relief granted for Request for Relief RI-06 is continued for Request for Relief RI-06, Revision 2, and that relief is also granted for Requests for Relief RI-20, RI-21, and RI-22, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i). NPPD withdrew Request for Relief RI-23 in its letter dated December 31, 1996; therefore, the request was not evaluated by the staff.

This completes the NRC staff review of the subject relief requests and closes TAC No. M95833. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please call me at (301) 415-1336.

Sincerely,
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Docket No. 50-298

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