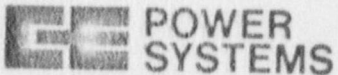


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- Reference:
- 1) NRC letter, R. S. Boyd to P. L. McGill, dated October 19, 1978.
 - 2) C-E letter, A. E. Scherer to C. J. Heltemes, LD-78-073, dated October 20, 1978.
 - 3) C-E letter, P. L. McGill to J. Hendrie, DP-78-018, dated May 18, 1978.

Dear Mr. Boyd:

In Reference 1 you described the process by which the Combustion Engineering Standard Safety Analysis Report Preliminary Design Approval #2 (CESSAR PDA #2) would be extended. Combustion Engineering submitted the CESSAR Final Safety Analysis Report on October 20, 1978 via Reference 2. Included, as Appendix A to that document, is an assessment of our status of compliance with the Category I, II and III requirements established by the Regulatory Requirements Review Committee (RRRC). A commitment was also included to address, on or about December 1, 1978, those items not yet acted upon by the RRRC and which, as a result, have been placed in Category IV. That submittal will provide the NRC with all of the information required of us by Reference 1 and we therefore request that PDA #2 be extended until December 31, 1980.

We also wish to take this opportunity to reaffirm our conviction that imposing a fee for extending PDA #2 is inappropriate. Our position is based on the timeliness of our PDA extension application and on the inequities of any PDA extension fee as described in Reference 3, a copy of which was provided to you.

If I can be of any additional assistance in this matter, please feel free to call on me.

Very truly yours,

COMBUSTION ENGINEERING, INC.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'A. E. Scherer'.

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