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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTENTION: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

Subject: McGuire Nuclear Station Docket Nos.: 50-369 and 50-370 Withdrawal of Proposed Technical Specification

By letter dated August 30, 1985, Duke Power Company submitted proposed changes to Technical Specification 3/4.8.3, concerning the 125 VDC Vital Instrumentation and Control System Batteries. The NRC staff reviewed the submittal, and by letter of December 2, 1985 requested additional information. For the reasons discussed below, Duke Power hereby withdraws the above submittal in its entirety.

Duke has recently initiated a study to evaluate options regarding the replacement and/or upgrading of all station batteries at McGuire, including the 125 VDC Vital Batteries addressed by the above specification. Changes to the battery system are likely to involve changes to the Technical Specifications; therefore, any effort expended on the present battery specification is likely to be duplicated in the near future.

This study is scheduled for completion in March of 1989. Design changes will be reviewed at that time to determine any impact on Tachnical Specifications, and appropriate Technical Specification revisions will be proposed.

If there are any questions, please contact Duke through normal Licensing channels.

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