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SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION OF BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1

(BVPS-1), 10-YEAR INSERVICE INSPECTION (ISI) RELIEF REQUEST

(TAC NO. MA1337)

Dear Mr. Cross:

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Sincerely.

original signed by: Robert A. Capra, Director Project Directorate I-2 Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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