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Subject: License Amendment Application to Relocate a Surveillance Requirement from Technical Specification 3/4.6.5.1, "Emergency Ventilation System," to 3/4.6.5.2, "Shield Building Integrity," and Delete Definition 1.24, "Shield Building Integrity" (LAR 98-0010)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is an application for an amendment to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS), Unit Number 1, Operating License Number NPF-3, Appendix A, Technical Specifications (TS). The proposed changes involve Technical Specification 3/4.6.5.1, "Emergency Ventilation System," 3/4.6.5.2, "Shield Building Integrity" and the associated TS Bases, and Definition 1.24, "Shield Building Integrity".

The proposed changes would relocate existing TS Surveillance Requirement 4.6.5.1.d.4 regarding Emergency Ventilation System (EVS) negative pressure testing to TS 3/4.6.5.2. The proposed changes would also delete the TS Definition 1.24, "Shield Building Integrity," and make related changes associated with the deletion of this definition to the TS Index and the applicable TSs and Bases.

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These proposed changes would cause the Action statement of TS Limiting Condition for Operation 3.6.5.2 to be applied should the EVS be unable to produce the required negative pressure, in the annulus space located between the containment structure and shield building due to an opening in the ventilation boundary.

The "Improved Standard Technical Specifications for Babcock and Wilcox Plants," NUREG-1430, Revision 1 does not include guidance for a Shield Building Integrity TS since the DBNPS Docket Number 50-346 License Number NPF-3 Serial Number 2557 Page 2

is the only Babock and Wilcox-type plant with a containment vessel/annulus space/shield building design. However, as a result of discussions with the NRC staff, these proposed TS changes are based upon the Shield Building Integrity TS guidance provided by the "Improved Standard Technical Specifications for Combustion Engineering Plants," NUREG-1432, Revision 1 and the "Improved Standard Technical Specifications for Westinghouse Plants," NUREG-1431, Revision 1. Also included is a proposed administrative change to TS Table 4.6-1, "Access Openings Required to be Closed to Ensure Shield Building Integrity," to correct a room number.

Toledo Edison requests that this license amendment application be approved by the NRC by February 26, 1999.

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Very truly yours,

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