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Dear Mr. Bradham:

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 88-05 (TAC NO. 68956)

On March 17, 1988, the NRC Staff issued Generic Letter 88-05, "Boric Acid Corrosion of Carbon Steel Reactor Boundary Components in PWR Plants." In this letter, we requested that you provide assurances that a program has been implemented at your plant that addressed the corrosive effects of reactor coolant system leakage at less than technical specification limits. The generic letter identified four considerations which your program should include.

In a letter dated June 3, 1988, you responded to Generic Letter 88-05, describing your commitment to a program which identifies, monitors, limits and evaluates boric acid leakage at your plant. We find that you have provided assurance that a program is in place dealing with boric acid leakage that potentially could affect the integrity of the reactor coolant pressure boundary. This fulfills your requirement in responding to Generic Letter 88-05.

As discussed in Generic Letter 88-05, you should maintain, in auditable form, records of the program and results obtained from implementation of the program.

This completes our review efforts regarding your response to Generic Letter 88-05.

Sincerely

original signed by J. Hayes, Jr.

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