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Re: Indian Point Unit No. 2
Docket No. 50-247

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, DC 20555

SUBJECT: Response to Generic Letter 87-02 on Resolution of
Unresolved Safety Issue A-46, Seismic Qualification

On July 29, 1988, the NRC Staff issued a Safety Evaluation Report (SER) on Revision 0 of the Generic Implementation Procedure for Seismic Verification of Nuclear Plant Equipment (GIP) developed by the Seismic Qualification Utility Group (SQUG). The letter to SQUG enclosing the SER requests that SQUG member utilities provide to the NRC, within 60 days, a schedule for implementing the GIP. This letter responds to the NRC request for our plant-specific seismic verification plans for Indian Point Unit No. 2, consistent with the requirements of Generic Letter 87-02, "Verification of Seismic Adequacy of Mechanical and Electrical Equipment in Operating Reactors, Unresolved Safety Issue (USI) A-46."

As members of SQUG and the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), we have supported the many efforts on which the GIP is based. The SER enforces the methodology and criteria embodied in Revision 0 of the GIP, subject to ongoing satisfactory resolution of a number of open issues and NRC comments. We understand that the final revision of the GIP is scheduled to be completed in Spring, 1989, contingent upon SQUG and NRC agreement on the resolution of the various open issues. That revision of the GIP is the version which is scheduled to contain all of the information needed to implement the USI A-46 generic letter at SQUG member plants. The final NRC SER Supplement on the final revision of the GIP is anticipated by mid-1989.

Our current plans for implementation of the GIP are preliminary given its status and the schedule for completion of the final revision of the GIP and NRC's SER Supplement on that revision. However, it is our current plan to resolve USI A-46 by implementation of the generic criteria and methodology included in Revision 0 of the GIP. Assuming no major changes in the workscope currently envisioned, we plan to perform the seismic verification plant walkdown required by the GIP by the conclusion of the

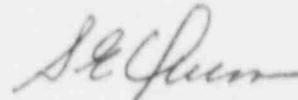
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second refueling outage after receipt of the final SER Supplement and resolution of all open issues. If the final NRC SER Supplement with no open items is issued by the second quarter of 1989, then the plant walkdown at Indian Point Unit No. 2 is expected to be completed by mid-1992. Identification of safe shutdown equipment, gathering of necessary plant-specific data and training of our walkdown team members will be initiated prior to this outage.

If you have any questions on this matter, do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,



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