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In order to support further NRC evaluation, you are requested to provide the NRC with answers to the enclosed questions. Please respond to this request for additional information expeditiously in order for the staff to complete its review.

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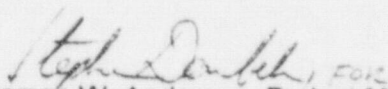
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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
CONCERNING PROPOSED REVISION TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

DATED OCTOBER 15, 1997

MILLSTONE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT 3

TAC M99797

- (1) The October 15, 1997, submittal indicates that the proposed Technical Specification (TS) Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) does not establish an initial condition for an accident or transient analysis. Instead, the proposed LCO is consistent with the numerical value for the reactor trip setpoint for pressurizer high water level in TS Table 2.2-1. This is not acceptable since 10 CFR 50.36(c)(2)(ii)(B), Criterion 2, states that the TS LCO must be established for a process variable that is an initial condition of a design basis accident or transient analysis. Please propose an LCO for pressurizer level that meets the above stated regulation.
- (2) Provide a brief discussion on the automatic and procedural controls for pressurizer water level.

Enclosure