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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attn: John F. Stolz, Director
PWR Projects Directorate No. 6
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Stolz:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit I, (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Technical Specification Change Request No. 159

Enclosed are three originals and forty conformed copies of Technical Specification Change Request No. 159.

Also enclosed is one signed copy of the Certificate of Service for this request to the chief executives of the township and county in which the facility is located, as well as the Bureau of Radiation Protection.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(a)(1), we enclose our analyses, using the standards in 10 CFR 50.92 of significant hazards considerations. As stated above, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(a) of the regulations, we have provided a copy of this letter, the proposed change in Technical Specifications, and our analyses of significant hazards considerations to Thomas Gerusky, the designated representative of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 170.21, enclosed is a check for \$150.00 as payment of the fee associated with Technical Specification Change Request No. 159.

Withdrawal of axial power shaping rods will need to be performed as early as August 30, 1986 (240 EFPD) based on current burnup of Cycle 5. GPUN is available to meet with the NRC at your earliest convenience to discuss this

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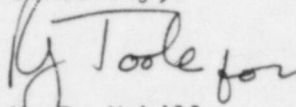
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technical specification change request in order to minimize any impacts on NRC review schedules, and to assure that Technical Specifications are in place by August 30, 1986.

Sincerely,



H. D. Hukill

Vice President & Director, TMI-1

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Enclosures: 1) Technical Specification Change Request No. 159
2) Certificate of Service for Technical Specification Change Request No. 159
3) Check No. 227711

cc: J. Thoma
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