

August 24, 1999

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SUBJECT: MCGUIRE NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1 RE: SECOND 10-YEAR INTERVAL
INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM PLAN REQUEST FOR RELIEF NO. 98-004
(TAC NO. MA4371)

Dear Mr. Barron:

By letter dated November 24, 1998, Duke Energy Corporation (DEC) requested the NRC staff approve the Second 10-Year Interval Inservice Inspection Program Plan Request for Relief 98-004 for the McGuire Nuclear Station, Unit 1. The staff, with technical assistance from its contractor, the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL), has reviewed and evaluated the information provided and has found your relief request acceptable.

The staff has concluded that certain inservice examinations are impractical and cannot be performed to the extent required by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code at McGuire Nuclear Station, Unit 1. Further, the staff concludes that DEC's proposed alternatives provide reasonable assurance for the structural integrity of the subject welds. Therefore, for all parts of Relief Request 98-004 relief is granted pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Section 50.55a(g)(6)(i).

The staff's evaluation and conclusions are contained in Enclosure 1. Enclosure 2 is the INEEL Technical Evaluation Report. The staff considers this matter resolved and is closing out TAC No. MA4371.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
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