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Mr. Eliot Protech President IES Utilities Inc. 200 First Street, SE. P.O. Box 351 Cedar Rapids, IA 52406-0351

SUBJECT: DUANE ARNOLD ENERGY CENTER - ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT

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A copy of the Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely.

Original signed by:

Brenda L. Mozafari, Project Manager, Section 1 Project Directorate III Division of Reactor Projects III/IV Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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