UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION I 631 PARK AVENUE KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19406 K. V. Seyfrit, Chief Technical Assistance Branch Office of Inspection and Enforcement, HQ UNIT 1 (DN-50-289), TRACK F14308H1 This memorandum is forwarded for action.

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DAMAGED REACTOR VESSEL SURVEILLANCE CAPSULF HOLDER TUBES, THREE MILE ISLAND

Met Ed Event Report 76-12/IT (Enclosure 1) documents the discovery during the current refueling outage at TMI-1 of damage to the reactor vessel surveillance holder tubes, the necessity to operate during cycle 2 with the surveillance specimen capsules and holder tubes removed, and the acceptability of these actions which requires NRR approval. This report is addressed to both the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and the Director of Region 1. In that this report deals with design features and analyses previously reviewed by NRR, a potential generic problem affecting B&W reactors, and planned operation requiring Technical Specification changes, we recommend that the evaluation of this report and the generic followup be performed by NRR rather than OIE. Accordingly, we request that you take the necessary action to assure that this is accommplished.

If you have any questions with respect to this memorandum, please refer them to Mr. R. L. Spessard of this office.

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