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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir:

Subject: Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
LER No. 99-011-00,
"Incomplete Control Rod Insertion During Trip Insertion Time Testing"

This letter transmits a voluntary Licensee Event Report (LER) number 99-011-00, regarding an inoperable control rod and the failure of that control rod to completely insert during Control Rod Trip Insertion Time testing, which was being conducted post-shutdown for a Maintenance Rule monitoring. A second control rod also failed to insert completely into the core but did meet its insertion and trip time requirements pursuant to the Technical Specifications. For a complete description of the evaluated condition, refer to the text of the report provided on Form 366A.

This condition did not adversely affect the health and safety of the public. For additional information regarding this LER contact Mr. Gregory M. Gurican of the TMI Nuclear Safety & Licensing Department at (717) 948-8753.

Sincerely,

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