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November 22, 1999

SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3 - REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE: GENERIC LETTER 96-05 (TAC NO.
M97058)

Dear Mr. Knubel:

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2. WOG Engineering Report V-EC-1658 recommends that Risk Achievement Worth (RAW) and Fussel-Vesely important measures be used for risk ranking medium and low risk MOVs. Your submittal dated April 22, 1999, states that Fussel-Vesely was not used to risk rank MOVs. Explain why Fussel-Vesely was not used together with RAW.

These questions were discussed with your staff in a telephone call in September 1999. As agreed upon with your staff, we request that you respond to these questions by December 15, 1999.

If you have any questions, please call me at (301) 415-1494.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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