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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

ATTENTION: Document Control Desk

SUBJECT: Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant
Unit Nos. 1 & 2; Docket Nos. 50-317 & 50-318
15-Day Response to NRC Bulletin 2002-02, "Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Penetration Nozzle Inspection Programs"

REFERENCE: (a) NRC Bulletin 2002-02: Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Penetration Nozzle Inspection Programs, dated August 9, 2002

The purpose of this letter is to forward Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Inc.'s (CCNPP's) 15-day response to Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Bulletin 2002-02 (Reference a). The Bulletin was issued to:

- (1) Advise pressurized-water reactor (PWR) addressees that visual examinations, as a primary inspection method for the reactor pressure vessel (RPV) head and vessel head penetration (VHP) nozzles, may need to be supplemented with additional measures (e.g., volumetric and surface examinations) to demonstrate compliance with applicable regulations.
- (2) Advise PWR addressees that inspection methods and frequencies to demonstrate compliance with applicable regulations should be demonstrated to be reliable and effective.
- (3) Request information from all PWR addressees concerning their RPV head and VHP nozzle inspection programs to ensure compliance with applicable regulatory requirements.
- (4) Require all PWR addressees to provide written responses to this bulletin related to their inspection program plans.

A 15-day written response is an option available to addressees who choose not to provide the information requested or cannot meet the requested completion dates. We are submitting a 15-day response because we may not be able to meet the requested completion date for Requested Information (1). We are currently evaluating the supplemental inspection programs outlined in the Bulletin to determine their applicability to our plant before we finalize our inspection plan for the next scheduled refueling outage. We have determined that we need an additional 30 days to provide the requested information. Since our

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next scheduled refueling outage will not begin until February 2003, the additional 30 days will not adversely affect the NRC staff's plant-specific assessment of compliance with the regulations.

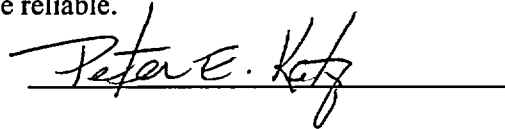
Should you have questions regarding this matter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Very truly yours,



STATE OF MARYLAND :
: TO WIT:
COUNTY OF CALVERT :

I, Peter E. Katz, being duly sworn, state that I am Vice President-Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Inc. (CCNPP), and that I am duly authorized to execute and file this response on behalf of CCNPP. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained in this document are true and correct. To the extent that these statements are not based on my personal knowledge, they are based upon information provided by other CCNPP employees and/or consultants. Such information has been reviewed in accordance with company practice and I believe it to be reliable.



Subscribed and sworn before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Maryland and County of Calvert, this 26 day of August, 2002.

WITNESS my Hand and Notarial Seal:



Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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