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Experience at some BWR plants with Mark I containments has shown that in some cases the design of the relief valve line restraints inside the torus may be inadequate. At some plants, the original restraints have been replaced. Because of the design inadequacy observed at some plants, we request that you perform an analysis to confirm that the relief valve line restraints at your plant are adequate. We request that you submit a summary of your analysis within 45 days of the receipt of this letter. Your submittal should provide sufficient information to enable us to perform an independent evaluation of your analysis.

In addition, this letter confirms our recent oral request that you inspect, at your earliest opportunity, the relief valve lines and their restraints inside the torus for indications of damage or degradation if no inspection of this type has been performed subsequent to relief valve blowdown.

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding our requests.

This request for generic information was approved by GAO under a blanket clearance number B-180225 (R0072); this clearance expires July 31, 1977.

Sincerely,

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George Lear, Chief  
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