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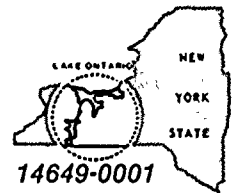




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Position In Generic Letter 83-28, Item 2.2 Part 2 "Vendor
Interface for Safety Related Components.")
R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-244

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Enclosed is Rochester Gas and Electric's response to subject
Generic Letter. We have confirmed that the two elements of an
adequate vendor interface program have been incorporated into our
Vendor Manual Upgrade Project.

Very truly yours,


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In response to Generic Letter 83-28, RG&E described, in a letter dated June 4, 1987, an augmented vendor interface program, particularly as related to our NSSS vendor. This program included implementation of a Vendor Equipment Technical Information Program (VETIP), consisting of the recommended NPRDS and SEE-In programs, as well as Rochester Gas and Electric's numerous interface activities with Westinghouse. These interface activities include Westinghouse Owners Group Committees and subcommittees, plant modification and safety analysis contracts, Westinghouse technical information bulletins and communications, standards committees and workshops. In addition, the Rochester Gas and Electric responded by implementing a vendor manual program to insure that vendor manuals were current and complete. RG&E's program was reviewed by the NRC, and a positive Safety Evaluation was issued on February 6, 1989.

Since the time of Rochester Gas and Electric's response to GL 83-28, additional enhancements have occurred. Of particular interest was the formation of the Operational Assessment Group (OAG) and the Maintenance Support System Group (MSSG). It is the function of the OAG to communicate with the SEE-In program on a daily basis and to relay pertinent information to responsible Plant and Engineering groups. The OAG is also required to inform the SEE-In network of any equipment problems of Ginna Station. The Maintenance Support System Group (MSSG) communicates periodically with the NPRDS programs and is required to inform responsible groups of the Plant and Engineering of abnormalities of equipment on a component basis.

Two other significant projects undertaken by Rochester Gas and Electric during the past two years that directly relate to the concerns of Generic Letters 83-28 and 90-03, is the establishment of a Configuration Management Program and a Vendor Manual Upgrade Program.

The Configuration Management (CM) Program coordinates numerous configuration-related projects, and is enhancing the controlling procedures necessary to maintain these upgraded projects. Presentations regarding the CM Program have been made at both NRC Region I and NRR Headquarters meetings, on March 6 and March 27 respectively.

One of the projects included in the overall CM Program is a Vendor Manual Upgrade Program. This program has involved the inventorying of all Ginna Station equipment and component manuals. Each manual inventoried is screened to determine the need for control under the vendor manual control program based on its relevance to the requirements for safe operation of the plant, maintenance of the plant, and procurement. Only controlled copies of manuals are made

available for design, operation, maintenance or training uses. Upon completion of the screening, each manual is then subjected to a review cycle.

In the review cycle, the vendor of each manual is contacted to validate the manual's applicability and technical content for accuracy. Each manual is reviewed by the end user (maintenance and/or maintenance planning personnel) and appropriate discipline engineers. Thereafter, the vendor will be contacted on a yearly basis for purposes of manual updates.

Included in the Vendor Manual Upgrade Program is the development for revision of existing procedures to assure adequate future control of the vendor manuals. These new and revised procedures will be derived in accordance with the Rochester Gas and Electric QA Program which is subject to the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix B.

Based upon the above actions Rochester Gas and Electric confirms that the Vendor Manual Upgrade Project fully meets the two elements of Generic Letter 90-03. The Vendor Manual Upgrade Program is presently scheduled for completion by August 1991.

