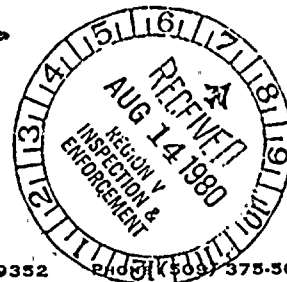


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R. H. Engelken, Director
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region V
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Dear Mr. Engelken:

Subject: WPPSS NUCLEAR PROJECT NO. 2
RESPONSE TO IE BULLETIN 79-03A

A review of the possible applications of SA-312 Type 300 austenitic stainless steel fusion welded pipe for our Nuclear Project No. 2 has identified two (2) contracts where this material may be used.

We have requested materials lists from these contractors and have also issued stop work orders to the contractors to cease installation and segregate the subject piping (if any) which has not been installed.

Based on a preliminary materials list from the major mechanical/piping contractor, no seam welded SA-312 or A-312 pipe has been used for safety-related systems.

Completion of the contract reviews is expected by September 15, 1980. Should our further reviews result in a finding that SA-312 or A-312 fusion welded pipe has been used in safety-related systems, you will be notified.

Very truly yours,


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