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 emergency exercises between 6 pm & 4 am every six yrs, per  
 1985 mod of recommendation in NUREG-0654 N.1.b by FEMA  
 Guidance Memo PR-1.

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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR PLANT NO. 2; OPERATING LICENCE NPF-21  
BACKSHIFT INITIATION OF EMERGENCY EXERCISE

Dear Mr. Reese:

This letter is follow up to discussions between you and our Emergency Preparedness Manager Don Larson regarding backshift emergency exercises. Specifically, NUREG 0654 N.1.b states that provisions should be made to start an exercise between 6:00 p.m. and midnight and another between midnight and 6:00 a.m. once every six years. The recommendation was modified in 1985 by FEMA Guidance Memorandum PR-1 to suggest that each organizations should make provisions to start an exercise between 6:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. every six years.

In our year end review of past drills and exercises we found that the Supply System had not implemented the recommendations specifically as described in the referenced documents. We have however conducted a number of activities to demonstrate off-hours capabilities. These have included:

- Annual Emergency Exercise, September 9, 1985, 5:30 a.m.
- Emergency organization Mobilization Test; September 15, 1986, 8:00 p.m.
- Non-evaluated Exercise, February 3, 1989; 5:30 a.m.
- Non-evaluated Exercise, March 12, 1991, 6:00 a.m.

In keeping with the perceived intent of the referenced guidance, the Supply System is planning to initiate an emergency exercise between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. Our draft schedule tentatively identifies this activity for February 16, 1993.

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We trust that this provides information that you require. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact Don Larson at (509) 377-8054.

Very Truly Yours,



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