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Reference: Letter from U. S. NRC to W. F. Conway, APS, dated
September 28, 1990. Subject: Response to Generic
Letter 90-03 - Vendor Interface (161-03502).

Dear Sirs:

Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2 and 3
Revision to Generic Letter 90-03 Commitment Date
File: 91-010-026; 91-056-026

In a telephone conversation with Mr. Trammell, NRC staff, on January 29, 1991, Arizona Public Service (APS) discussed the necessity for revision of a commitment date that was contained in the referenced letter. This letter formally documents the commitment date revision. The specific commitment is as follows:

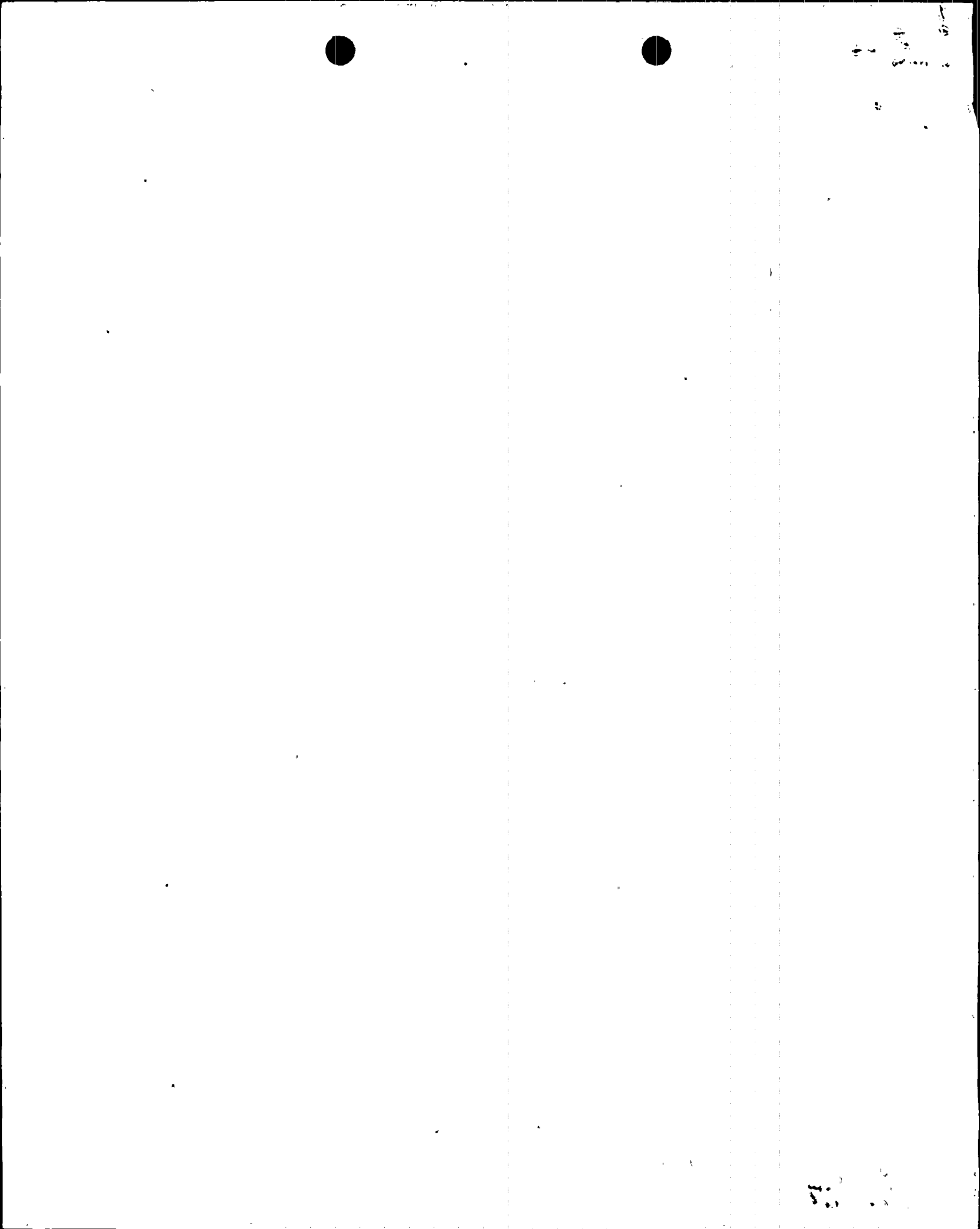
Item 2, Action 2.a.:

Include steps in the PVNGS Nuclear Engineering procedure
"PVNGS Failure Data Trending" by January 1991.

This process will occur as follows: Procurement Engineering will continue to identify to the Nuclear Engineering Manager the manufacturers that have gone out of business or that have effectively discontinued support for a particular component. The Nuclear Engineering Manager will ensure that these components are identified in the Failure Data Trending System. If the component failure threshold, as established by the Failure Data Trending Program, are exceeded, the component will be uniquely identified on the Failure Data Trending quarterly report. As with any component that exceeds the established threshold, this component would then receive a

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root cause of failure by the appropriate component/system engineer and the necessary actions would be taken to correct the deficiency. If the component failure is determined to be NPRDS reportable, INPO will be notified of the problem so that other utilities may benefit from the PVNGS experience.

An interim administrative process was implemented prior to January 31, 1991, to identify those manufacturers or vendors that have gone out of business or that have effectively discontinued support for a particular component. Also, software revisions to the Failure Data Trending Program to accept and trend this information was implemented October 6, 1990.

Completion of these actions have met the intent of our commitment. Responsibilities for this process have been included in the current draft revision to the Failure Data Trending procedure. However, this procedure is also being revised for other reasons and the procedure review process has been longer than expected.

The revised commitment date for completion of the procedure revision is expected to be March 04, 1991. As previously noted, however, the process is currently implemented.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, contact Michael E. Powell at (602) 340-4981.

Sincerely,



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