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Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2  
GENERIC LETTER 87-02 COMMITMENT CHANGE

The purpose of this letter is to request a modification to the commitment made in Indiana Michigan Power Company's response to generic letter (GL) 87-02, "Verification of Seismic Adequacy of Mechanical and Electrical Equipment in Operating Reactors". The original response was contained in our letter AEP:NRC:1040C, dated January 30, 1996. The commitment reads as follows.

#### SHUTDOWN PROCEDURES

It is our intention to bring the plant to a safe shutdown during the unlikely event of a design basis earthquake (DBE) using normal shutdown procedures. However, based on the guidelines noted in section 5 of the SSEL report, we are developing a separate seismic shutdown procedure, which is scheduled for completion by April 1997. Validation of the procedure using the plant simulator and training of the operators will be completed by July 1997. This specific seismic shutdown procedure will also be utilized as an alternative means for safe plant shutdown.

This implementation strategy has been reviewed by a group responsible for overseeing the emergency operating procedures (EOPs). With the concurrence of our chairman of the seismic qualification utility group (SQUG), it was determined that the actions required to respond to an earthquake could better be addressed using the existing EOPs and normal shutdown procedures. The necessary existing plant procedures will be modified to bring the plant to safe shutdown during the unlikely event of a DBE.

The change to the commitment is that SQUG safe shutdown requirements will be integrated into existing plant procedures rather than developing a specific stand-alone procedure. No change to the implementation schedule provided in the previous letter is being requested.

Sincerely,

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Vice President

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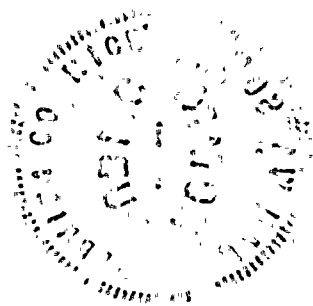
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