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 to that outlined in NEI/NUSMG 97-07.

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Gentlemen:

Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2
RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER (GL) 98-01,
YEAR 2000 READINESS OF COMPUTER SYSTEMS
AT NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

The purpose of this letter is to respond to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's request for information regarding year 2000 readiness at nuclear power plants. GL 98-01 requires two responses. The first response is provided in this letter. The second response will be submitted by July 1, 1999.

Requirement One

"Within 90 days of the date of this generic letter, submit a written response indicating whether or not you have pursued and are continuing to pursue a Y2K program such as, or similar to, that outlined in NEI/NUSMG 97-07, augmented appropriately in the areas of risk management, contingency planning, and remediation of embedded systems. If your program significantly differs from the NEI/NUSMG guidance, present a brief description of the programs that have already been completed, are being conducted, or are planned to ensure Y2K readiness of the computer systems at your facility(ies). This response must address the program's scope, assessment process, plans for corrective actions (including testing and schedules), QA measures, contingency plans, and regulatory compliance."

Response to Requirement One

Cook Nuclear Plant has pursued, and is continuing to pursue, a year 2000 readiness program similar to that outlined in NEI/NUSMG 97-07, "Nuclear Utility Year 2000 Readiness". The program addresses potential year 2000 problems that impact safety-related and other systems required by nuclear power plant license or NRC regulations. The scope of the facility program includes identifying and, where appropriate, remediating embedded systems. The program provides for risk management efforts and the development of contingency plans prior to critical dates.

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Requirement Two

"Upon completing your Y2K program or, in any event, no later than July 1, 1999, submit a written response confirming that your facility is Y2K ready, or will be Y2K ready, by the year 2000 with regard to compliance with the terms and conditions of your license(s) and NRC regulations. If your program is incomplete as of this date, your response must contain a status report, including completion schedules, of work remaining to be done to confirm your facility is/will be Y2K ready by the year 2000."

Response to Requirement Two

Response to requirement two will be submitted by July 1, 1999.

Sincerely,


J. R. Sampson
Site Vice President

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

THIS 17 DAY OF August, 1998


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