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SUBJECT: Advises that review of past LERs & reactor trip documentation shoes that no events similar to those described in NRC 790921 ltr can occur,provided surveillance test complies w/existing plant.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Acting Director
Division of Operating Reactors
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Mr. Eisenhut:

Re: Turkey Point Units 3 & 4
Docket Nos. 50-250 & 50-251
Operational Review

We have reviewed your letter of September 21, 1979 and are not aware of any new situations, i.e., situations not under regulatory review, which are beyond the scope of previous accident analyses. With respect to the specific event described in your letter, we have found no direct correlation between it and component malfunctions which have occurred during single events at Turkey Point Units 3 and 4. All such events and consequent corrective actions have been documented and reported to the Commission in accordance with then existing requirements.

Review of our present management policies and procedures in conjunction with review of recorded operating experience indicates that we have been able to identify and correct multiple malfunctions. Furthermore, in the aftermath of the TMI-2 event, we recognize the need to continue our efforts to improve our capability of assessing operating experience. We are pursuing these efforts as we fulfill commitments made in response to NUREG-0578.

We are aware that challenges to reactor trip and safeguards systems are undesirable and believe that our practices emphasize the need to minimize such challenges. Programs being developed as a result of NUREG-0578 should enhance performance in this regard.

Finally, the Turkey Point surveillance procedures have been used extensively and have been modified in specific cases to minimize the possibility of unnecessary safety system challenges. Procedure review and modification is a continuing process.

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Please call if you have additional questions on this subject.

Very truly yours,

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