



June 29, 1979

Director, Office of Inspection & Enforcement  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
799 Roosevelt Road  
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Construction Permit Nos.: CPFR-170  
CPFR-171

Marble Hill Nuclear Generating Station  
Units 1 & 2

Gentlemen:

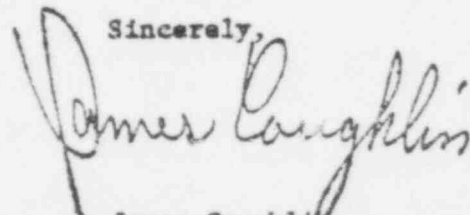
On June 1, 1979 Mr. F. R. Hodges of Public Service Company of Indiana, Inc. (PSI) telephoned your office of a potentially reportable incident involving possible damage to the Marble Hill Unit 1 containment liner. The specified pour rate of 3 to 3 1/2 feet per hour was exceeded during the placement of concrete in Pour #1CW-Ext-2. The excessive pour rate of 10 feet in 70 minutes resulted in the breaking of a whaler on the lower portion of the formwork and possible bowing of the containment liner.

Visual inspection indicated that there may be some deformation in the liner at the bottom of the subject pour.

On June 28, 1979 Chicago Bridge & Iron performed dimensional measurements on the subject liner. PSI is currently analyzing this data to determine if the deformation of the liner shell is within specification tolerances.

PSI has not yet determined if this incident is reportable as a significant deficiency under 10CFR50.55(e). This letter is intended to fulfill the requirements of an interim report as defined in 10CFR50.55(e)(3). A complete report will be filed when the evaluation has been completed.

Sincerely,

  
James Coughlin  
Vice President-Nuclear

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cc: Director of Inspection & Enforcement ✓  
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