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Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhower, Acting Director
Division of Operating Reactors
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

License No. DPR-35
Docket No. 50-293

Dear Sir:

In a letter dated September 27, 1979 you expressed concern in relation to containment purge and vent valve performance under the Design Basis Accident - Loss of Coolant Accident. Boston Edison Company was requested to implement a valve qualification program, in accordance with the guidelines attached to your letter, to ensure satisfactory valve performance at Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station.

Please be advised that we will confirm the suitability of the purge and vent valves at Pilgrim by means of in-situ testing to be performed during our 1980 refueling outage (January-April). Upon completion of these tests we will forward our methodology and results.

We trust this is acceptable to you, however, should you have any further concerns on this subject, please contact us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

G. Carl Andronini

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