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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations
Attn: John Stolz, Chief
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Vendor Review of Procedures



Item 1.C.7 of NUREG 0660 specifies that operating license applicants obtain reactor vendor review of their low-power, power-ascension, and emergency procedures. Since TMI-1 is an operating reactor it has already completed an initial low-power and power-ascension test program and exercised the procedures associated with those activities then and during the four refuelings.

GPU Nuclear believes it is appropriate to approach the restart in a manner similar to the initial startup program. For the original startup of TMI-1 a Test Working Group (TWG) was formed. The purpose of the TWG was to review the startup procedures for low-power and power-ascension tests that were conducted. B & W was represented on the TWG and the B & W TWG member provided B & W input to the review of the procedures including, as appropriate, comments from the B & W home office. GPU Nuclear intends to use the TWG concept again for TMI-1 restart and has re-established the TWG. B & W is again represented on the TWG.

In addition to the above, GPU Nuclear established a program with B & W in March 1981 for B & W to review and comment on selected TMI-1 emergency procedures where their input would be meaningful. This emergency procedure review program will be an ongoing program until TMI-1 is restarted. To date we have received and are considering comments on all procedures which have been forwarded to B & W for review. It is also possible that additional procedures including ATOG procedures will be identified for B & W review before completion of this program.

The above programs are auditable by the NRC at any time.

Sincerely,

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