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Docket No. 50-461

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attention: Document Control Desk  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Clinton Power Station  
Response to Bulletin 88-08 Supplement 3

Dear Sir:

Illinois Power Company (IP) letter U-601492 dated August 17, 1989, provided a response to the NRC regarding NRC Bulletin 88-08 Supplement 3, "Thermal Stresses in Piping Connected to Reactor Coolant Systems". In our response, it was stated that several systems could be subject to thermal stratification and that a detailed review was being performed to identify other possible cases where thermal stratification could occur. This detailed review was to be completed and results, along with a proposed schedule for implementing any required actions, submitted to the NRC by February 17, 1990. This submittal has not been made as committed. The purpose of this letter is to explain why the commitment was not met and to establish a new submittal date.

When the August 18, 1989 response to the Bulletin was prepared, the associated work plan called for the detailed analytical review to be completed by IP's architect engineer in early February 1990. Any field work required as a result of the review, such as non-destructive examination of reactor vessel nozzles, was to be performed during the second refueling outage (RF-2) which was scheduled to start in late February 1990. In September 1989, the start date for RF-2 was rescheduled to September 1990. As a result of the refueling outage being rescheduled, the analytical work to be performed was postponed to a later date to allow the architect engineer to work on current operating issues. IP engineering management personnel controlling the architect engineer's work schedule for Clinton did not consider the February 17, 1990 submittal commitment date when rescheduling the work. The failure to consider the submittal date commitment was primarily due to the fact that this commitment date was not entered into the Centralized Commitment Tracking System at Clinton Power Station which is used to track such commitments.

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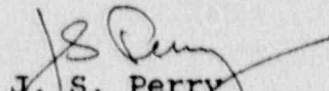
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In response to the failure to track this commitment, IP will review 1989 correspondence to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to determine if this is an isolated event or if a programmatic problem exists. This review will be completed by March 30, 1990. Based on the conclusions of this review, appropriate actions will be taken.

The detailed analytical review and proposed schedule for implementing any required actions resulting from the review results in response to Bulletin 88-08 Supplement 3 are now scheduled to be completed by June 25, 1990. At that time IP will notify the NRC of the results of the detailed analytical review. This schedule still allows for appropriate examination or instrumentation installation activities to be implemented during the next refueling outage.

I hereby affirm that the information in this letter is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely yours,

  
J. S. Perry  
Vice President

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NRC Clinton Licensing Project Manager  
NRC Resident Office  
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