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PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT  
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Delay in Implementation Schedule for NUREG-0737,  
Item III.D.3.4, Control Room Habitability Modification

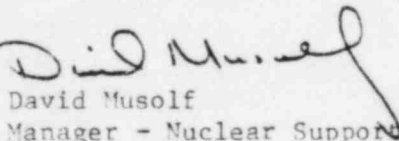
In our letter dated October 22, 1982, we stated that the plant modifications required by NUREG-0737, Item III.D.3.4 would be completed by March 15, 1983. It now appears that we will be unable to complete this project by March 15, 1983.

The purpose of this letter is to provide a revised completion schedule for this modification and describe the circumstances surrounding the delays in completing it. The system is nearing completion. We have 90% of the cables pulled, approximately 50% are terminated, and nearly all of the mechanical components are installed. It was discovered during the review of instrumentation calibration and preoperational test procedures that design changes were required.

The plant staff has requested a bypass switch be installed so that the toxic gas detectors can be tested without placing the control room in recirculation mode. The switch will allow repairs and surveillance testing to occur without affecting the ventilation system.

The new date for completion is May 31, 1983.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning our revised completion schedule for this Action Plan requirement.

  
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