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Mr. Harold L. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Docket Numbers: STN 50-546
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Construction Permit Numbers:
CPPR - 170
CPPR - 171

Marble Hill Nuclear Generating Station - Units 1 and 2

Dear Mr. Denton:

Because of the concern recently expressed by Commissioner Gilinsky in regard to Emergency Operations Facilities (EOFs) located within five miles from the plant without a backup, Public Service Company of Indiana Inc. (PSI) wishes to inform the NRC of its plans to begin construction of an EOF and Joint Public Information Center (JPIC).

These emergency response facilities will be a part of an office building complex located at a distance of approximately one mile from the reactor containment buildings. Engineering design for the new office building will be complete by March 1, 1983. At that time, contracts will be let to begin construction of that part of the building which will include the EOF and JPIC. Details of ventilation and filtration as well as other details of the emergency response facilities will be submitted as part of the operating license application as those details become available.

PSI intends to comply with the memo of October 16, 1981 to Operating Reactor and Licensing Branch Chiefs from S. L. Ramos, Emergency Preparedness Development Branch Chief at that time, concerning modification of the location and habitability criteria for emergency operations facilities. The subject memo provides criteria which permit the staff to approve EOFs within ten miles of the plant without requiring a dedicated backup EOF between ten and twenty miles from the plant. In compliance with that criteria, both EOF and JPIC are to be designed for a protection factor of 25.

PSI would appreciate your review of the adequacy of these protection factors and contingencies without additional requirements for a backup EOF. We would

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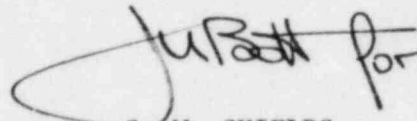
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appreciate your comments by February 15, 1983 to be able to proceed with building construction by March 1, 1983.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,



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cc: J. Keppler (NRC RIII)
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