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Docket No. 50-458
License No. NPF-47
License Amendment Request 93-03
Removal of TDI Diesel Generator License Conditions

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Gentlemen:

River Bend Station (RBS) submitted License Amendment Request (LAR) 93-03 on May 13, 1993. This LAR requested the NRC remove several license conditions pertaining to the Division I and II Transamerica Delaval, Inc. (TDI) emergency diesel generators contained in Attachment 3 to RBS Operating License NPF-47. Specifically, the subject license conditions pertain to engine overhaul frequency, maintenance and surveillance program, and inspection of crankshafts, cylinder heads, engine block, and turbochargers.

LAR 93-03 was submitted to the NRC in concert with the TDI Diesel Generator Owner's Group Generic Topical Report TDI-EDG-001-A, "Basis for Modification to Inspection Requirements for Transamerica Delaval, Inc., Emergency Diesel Generators." The topical report provides justification to revise the license conditions for TDI owners. The proposed changes to River Bend's license were developed using Revision 1 of the TDI Owner's Group submittal dated May 3, 1993 and the screening criteria utilized to develop the Improved Technical Specifications.

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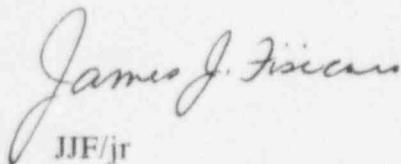
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On December 7, 1993, the TDI Owner's Group submitted additional information requested by the NRC to justify removing the ten-year overhaul requirement. This submittal provided the results of inspections performed on TDI diesels in nuclear service, and was used by the NRC to conclude that the ten-year overhaul is not necessary. The inspection history provided in the December 7, 1993 submittal to the NRC was supplemental in nature and provided detailed backup support for the May 3, 1993 submittal. LAR 93-03 is not affected by the TDI Owner's Group December 7, 1993 submittal.

Generic Topical Report TDI-EDG-001-A was approved by the NRC on March 17, 1994 and docketed as "Topical Report-TAC-M85325" on April 28, 1994 with the NRC Document Control Desk. The NRC's approval of the Owner's Group submittal will allow removal of the special conditions contained in Attachment 3 to River Bend's Operating License.

By this letter, RBS confirms that it complies with the requirements of the approved generic topical report. RBS requests that the NRC approve LAR 93-03 as soon as practical to allow sufficient time for planning any necessary TDI diesel generator maintenance for refueling outage six, presently scheduled for January 1996. If this request is not approved prior to August 30, 1995, RBS will be required to shut down to maintain compliance with the present Operating License condition.

Sincerely,


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