

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY



CINCINNATI, OHIO 45201
September 30, 1983
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J. WILLIAMS, JR
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
NUCLEAR OPERATIONS

Docket No. 50-358

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Attention: Mr. J.G. Keppler
Regional Administrator

Gentlemen:

RE: WM. H. ZIMMER NUCLEAR POWER STATION - UNIT 1
10CFR50.55(e), ITEM M-96, INDETERMINATE
QUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIER PER ASME SECTION III
W.O. 57300, JOB E-5590, FILE NO. 956C, M-96

This letter constitutes an interim report concerning the subject condition initially reported to the Commission on September 2, 1983 as a potentially reportable deficiency under the requirements of 10CFR50.55(e).

CG&E has been notified by its primary contractor, H.J. Kaiser Company (HJK), that Cooperheat, a supplier of subcontracted services as defined by ASME Code, Section III, NB-2600, supplied heat treatment equipment and calibration services without being surveyed and qualified by HJK as required by ASME Code, Section III, NA-3451. Since Cooperheat has not been surveyed, the quality of products and services supplied by Cooperheat are indeterminate and present a potentially reportable deficiency under 10CFR50.55(e).

As part of the corrective action to resolve this deficiency, HJK has initiated Corrective Action Request #471 which requires an audit of Cooperheat's facilities and program. Also, a preliminary investigation indicates that recording equipment for the heat treating process was supplied and calibrated by subcontractors other than Cooperheat. Additional time is required to perform this audit and to complete the review of documentation relating to the calibration of the strip chart recorders used in conjunction with the Cooperheat equipment. The audit is scheduled to be completed by October 28, 1983, and a follow-up report will be submitted by December 12, 1983.

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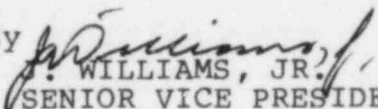
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We trust the above will be found acceptable as an interim report under 10CFR50.55(e).

Very truly yours,

THE CINCINNATI GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY

By  WILLIAMS, JR.
SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

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