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May 3, 1974

Mr. John F. O'Leary, Director  
Directorate of Licensing  
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20545

Dear Mr. O'Leary:

DOCKET NO. 50-266  
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT  
LEAKAGE TESTS OF ISOLATION VALVES

This letter is to report the details of an abnormal occurrence at Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Facility Operating License No. DPR-24, as defined by Section 15.1.a.F of the Technical Specifications. This written report is submitted in accordance with Section 15.6.6.A.2 of the Technical Specifications and follows a telephone report on the subject made to Mr. K. R. Baker of Region III, Directorate of Regulatory Operations on April 22, 1974, as required by Section 15.6.6.A.1 of the Technical Specifications.

On April 6, 1974, Unit 1 at Point Beach Nuclear Plant was removed from service to conduct the second refueling of the unit. During the period of the shutdown, presently estimated at seven weeks, leak tests of containment isolation valves are being conducted in accordance with Section 15.4.4.III of the Point Beach Technical Specifications.

To date, two valves, in both cases second-off valves from the containment, have been found to leak in excess of 2000 cc/min. We consider containment isolation valves which exhibit leakage beyond this figure to be reportable items.

At this date approximately 70% of the containment isolation valves have been leak tested and testing of the remainder is in progress. Should other valves be found to have leakage in excess of 2000 cc/min we will inform the Region III DRO inspector by telephone within the required twenty-four hour time period.

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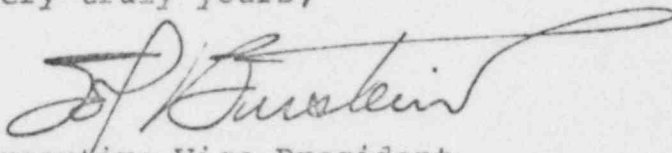
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It is our intention to repair the valves in question and retest following repair. Following the completion of all surveillance testing and repair (where required) of the Unit 1 containment isolation valves, we will submit a followup report describing the initial leakage, repair and retest of any containment isolation valve which does not meet the initial test criteria, as described above.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sol Burstein", with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Sol Burstein

Executive Vice President

cc: Mr. James G. Keppler, Regional Director  
Directorate of Regulatory Operations, Region III