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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attn: J. F. Stolz, Chief
Operating Reactor Branch No. 4
Division of Licensing
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Stolz:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station Unit 1 (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Response to NRC Request for Additional Information-
Periodic Maintenance Program for Reactor Trip Breakers
(Generic Letter 83-28--ATWS)

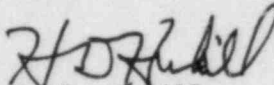
- References: (1) GPUN Letter 8211-83-330, H. D. Hukill to D. G. Eisenhut,
"Required Actions Based on Generic Implications of
Salem/ATWS Events" dated November 8, 1983
- (2) NRC Letter 5211-84-3386, John F. Stolz to H. D. Hukill,
dated December 4, 1984

Reference (1) provided the GPUN response to Generic Letter 83-28, "Required Actions Based on Generic Implications of Salem/ATWS Events," defining the degree of TMI-1 conformance as well as plans and schedules for upgrade to conform with the positions of the Generic Letter. Subsequently, Reference (2) transmitted NRC's request for additional information regarding the TMI-1 periodic maintenance and trending programs for reactor trip breakers, items 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 of the Generic Letter.

GPUN participated in a meeting on October 10, 1984 with the B&W Owners Group (B&WOG) and the NRC Staff to discuss Generic Letter 83-28 as it relates to the reactor trip breakers. At the meeting the Staff indicated that requests for additional information would be distributed to the Owners. In addition, the Staff requested that the utilities delay updating their Generic Letter 83-28 responses until after receipt of these requests for additional information. The Owners agreed to develop and submit a generic response which would subsequently be referenced by the individual Utilities in updating their responses to Generic Letter 83-28. As of this date, not all of the Owners have received the Staff's request for additional information, and the generic response has not yet been developed.

GPUN, as a participating member of the B&WOG, intends to resolve this issue in accordance with the generic position developed by the Owners. In light of the above, GPUN considers it appropriate to delay its response to Reference (2) until after submittal of a generic response by the B&WOG. The B&WOG has informed the NRC project coordinator for Generic Letter 83-28, Thomas W. Alexion, Operating Reactor Assessment Branch, of their intentions.

Sincerely,


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Attachments