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March 6, 1985

Mr. James G. Keppler  
Regional Administrator  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region III  
799 Roosevelt Road  
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

SUBJECT: Braidwood Station Units 1 and 2  
10 CFR 50.55(e) No. 84-15 Interim Report  
G. K. Newberg Welding Program Deficiencies  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-456/457

References (a): D. H. Smith letter to J. G. Keppler  
dated September 10, 1984.

(b): D. H. Smith letter to J. G. Keppler  
dated October 22, 1984.

Dear Mr. Keppler:

References (a) and (b) provided information concerning a potential deficiency reportable pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55(e) regarding deficiencies in the Gust K. Newberg Welding program at our Braidwood Station. The purpose of this letter is to provide an updated status of the corrective actions taken to resolve this issue. This letter is considered to be an Interim Report.

#### Status of Resolution

It was previously reported in the above references that all Structural Steel Installation Traveler (SSIT) packages would be reviewed following approval of G. K. Newberg's document review procedure. Review completion by January 15, 1985, was projected.

Because of the number of issues to be addressed during the SSIT Review (see also Braidwood 50.55(e) 84-05), procedure development has taken much longer than anticipated. It is currently anticipated that procedure approval will be obtained by March 15, 1985. Actual SSIT review will take approximately three months. An interim report will be submitted by May 1, 1985 updating the status of procedure development and implementation.

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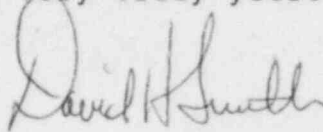
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Please address any questions that you or your staff may have concerning this matter to this office.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David H. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" being the most prominent.

David H. Smith  
Nuclear Licensing Administrator

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cc: NRC Resident Inspector - Braidwood

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