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References: 1. Docket No. 50-285
2. Letter from OPPD (W.G. Gates) to NRC (Document Control Desk)
dated May 11, 1990 (LIC-90-0416)

Gentlemen:

Subject: Application of Interim Operability Criteria to Two Pipe Restraints

The Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) is submitting this letter to inform the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) of the application of Interim Operability Criteria (IOC) for determining operability of two pipe supports. The IOC, which was submitted to the NRC via Reference 2, provides criteria for performing safety analyses for interim operability of piping. In an April 18, 1990 NRC/OPPD meeting, it was requested that OPPD inform the NRC, for documentation purposes, of any future uses of the IOC. In Reference 2, OPPD responded by agreeing to inform the NRC of future applications of the IOC for determining operability.

The current application of the IOC involves two pipe restraints: snubber MSS-16A-North on one line of the 24" Main Steam system and support SISP-26 on the 2" Charging/High Pressure Safety Injection (HPSI) cross connect line. During the performance of snubber surveillance test MM-ST-HSS-003, snubber MSS-16A-North was found disconnected on September 23, 1996, and support SISP-26 was found missing an anchor bolt on October 1, 1996. With the application of the IOC, OPPD has concluded that the affected Main Steam system and the Charging/HPSI cross connect systems remained operable in the as-found configuration. This letter serves to inform the NRC of this application of the IOC.

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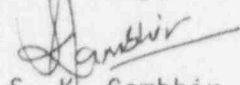
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Snubber MSS-16A-North was immediately restored to service upon discovery by Maintenance Work Document MWD 96/021. Modification Request MR-FC-94-013 restored support SISP-26 to its design requirements during the 1996 Refueling Outage. Thus, application of the IOC for these systems is no longer required.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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