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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001  
Attention: Document Control Desk

Subject: Braidwood Station Units 1 and 2  
Response to NRC Request For Additional Information (RAI)-Generic Letter 95-07,  
"Pressure Locking and Thermal Binding of Safety Related Power-Operated Gate Valves"  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-456 and 50-457

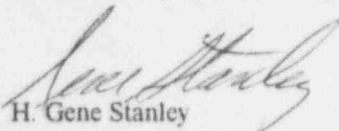
Reference: Letter from Peter L. Piet to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, dated July 5, 1996,  
transmitting the Response to a NRC Request For Additional Information pertaining to  
Generic Letter 95-07.

In Generic Letter 95-07, The NRC requested licensees ensure that safety related power operated gate valves susceptible to pressure locking or thermal binding are capable of performing their safety function are within the current licensing bases of the facility.

In the referenced letter, Commonwealth Edison provided a response to the NRC request for additional information (RAI) regarding various aspects of the 180 day response to Generic Letter 95-07.

The Braidwood response to NRC question 1 indicated that a design change was being considered for the 1(2)RH8716A valves, however, evaluations to determine the appropriateness of this design were still in progress. These evaluations are now complete and a change (hole drilled in one side of the disc) has been designed for these valves. This design change is currently scheduled for installation during Braidwood refueling outages A1R06 (Spring 1997) and A2R06 (Fall 1997).

If there are any questions required on this matter, please contact this office.

  
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