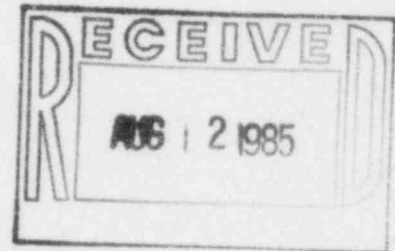


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- References: (1) AISC Specification for the Design, Fabrication and Erection of Structural Steel for Buildings
- (2) ANSI N45.2.5-1974: Supplementary Quality Assurance Requirements for Installation, Inspection and Testing of Structural Steel During the Construction Phase of Nuclear Power Plants
- (3) ANSI N45.2.10-1973: Quality Assurance Terms and Definitions

Dear Mr. Martin:

By letter dated May 5, 1983 (Reference ST-HL-AE-950), HL&P submitted a modification to our commitment with respect to the future purchases of structural steel bolts. Specifically, our letter committed that we would require suppliers of ASTM A-325 and A-490 bolts to provide either CMTRs or Certificates of Compliance (C of C) in accordance with the requirement of Section 1.4.4 of Reference 1 and Table A of Reference 2. This practice is consistent with those employed by Bechtel at a number of other Nuclear Projects: e.g., Grand Gulf, Vogtle, and Palo Verde.

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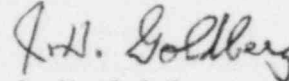
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The term "Certificate of Compliance" as used in our May 5, 1983 letter to define one of the two options allowed for bolt material certification is intended to mean a manufacturer's certification as derived from and consistent with the provisions of Reference 2, Table A. To be consistent with the definitions of terms given in ANSI N45.2.10-1973 (Reference 3), the correct terminology is Certificate of Conformance instead of Certificate of Compliance. It should be noted that Section 1.3 of ANSI N45.2.10-1973 allows for clarification of these terms at the point of application which is done in the appropriate specifications.

To avoid any misinterpretation as to the required certification for bolt material and to be consistent with the definitions given in Reference 3, the STP FSAR has been amended to indicate that a Certificate of Conformance is the minimum required document for bolt material certification.

If you should have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Michael E. Powell at (713) 993-1328.

Very truly yours,



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