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

Dear Mr. Keppler:

Reference: Fermi 2
NRC Docket No. 50-341
NRC License No. NPF-43

Subject: Detroit Edison Response
Inspection Report 50-341/85037

This letter responds to the item of noncompliance described in your Inspection Report No. 50-341/85037. This inspection was conducted by Messrs. P. M. Byron, M. E. Parker, D. C. Jones, S. G. DuPont, and J. M. Ulie of NRC Region III on July 1 through September 30, 1985.

We trust this letter satisfactorily responds to the item of noncompliance cited in the inspection report. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Joseph E. Conen, (313) 586-5083.

Sincerely,

cc: P. M. Byron
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RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-341/85037

DOCKET NO. 50-341

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INSPECTION AT: FERMI 2, NEWPORT, MICHIGAN

INSPECTION CONDUCTED: JULY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1985

Statement of Noncompliance 85037-02

Technical Specification 4.3.1.1 states, "Each reactor protection system instrumentation channel shall be demonstrated OPERABLE by the performance of a CHANNEL CHECK, CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST, and CHANNEL CALIBRATION operations for the OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS and at the frequencies shown in Table 4.3.1.1-1". Table 4.3.1.1-1 requires the channel functional test to be performed weekly for shutdown conditions (Modes 3 and 4) for the intermediate Range Monitors (IRMs).

Contrary to the above, on September 6, 1985, the licensee failed to perform the required weekly channel functional tests on IRMs B, G, and H within the required time interval as required by Technical Specification 4.3.1.1.

Corrective Action Taken and Results Achieved

On September 7, 1985 the IRM surveillances for channels B, G and H were successfully completed. All three IRMs were operable when tested and would have performed their intended function.

Corrective Action to be Taken to Avoid Further Noncompliance

To minimize the possibility of recurrence, Surveillance Performance Forms are now posted with the critical completion date (that date when Technical Specification allowed overrun expires) in addition to the scheduled completion date previously posted. The weekly surveillance schedule is now included in the Plan-of-the-Day with overdue surveillances posted for emphasis to the operating shift and plant management. A new scheduling printout noting desired completion dates, critical completion dates, and previous completion dates is provided daily to the Nuclear Shift Supervisor for all surveillances.

Discussions have been conducted with Nuclear Instrumentation and Control Foreman to emphasize the importance of meeting critical completion dates and to clarify their role in assisting the operating shift to ensure surveillances are performed on time.

Date When Full Compliance Will be Achieved

Full compliance has been achieved.