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In Reply Refer To:
Docket: 50-267/85-17

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Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of October 16, 1985, in response to our letter and Notice of Violation dated September 16, 1985. We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to the concerns raised in our Notice of Violation. We also understand your question concerning interpretation of the applicability of 10 CFR 50.72 and 10 CFR 50.73 to single plant protection system actuations. By separate correspondence we have requested NRR to provide an interpretation of your Technical Specifications, paragraph 2.9, with regard to reporting of circulator trips. Until such an interpretation is received, the reporting requirements must be literally followed.

Your letter also discussed the reportability of the RWP system, making the point that these should be considered in the same manner as circulator trips. RWPs were not a part of the violation. Additionally, it was our understanding that you were reviewing the trip points for the RWP system and were considering whether these could be modified to preclude excess actuation. Since the RWP system serves to preclude excess reactivity addition rates, we do not consider them to be the same as the single circulator trips. They should be reported.

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