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

Dear Sir:

Subject: Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1, (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
Technical Specification Change Request (TSCR) No. 263

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.4(b)(1), enclosed is TSCR No. 263. Also enclosed is the Certificate of Service for this request certifying service to the chief executives of the township and county in which the facility is located, as well as the designated official of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Bureau of Radiation Protection.

The purpose of this TSCR is to request three (3) changes to the TMI-1 Technical Specifications. Technical Specification (TS) 3.3.1.2 which provides a Limiting Condition for Operation that requires 1040 ft³ of borated water in each Core Flood Tank, would be changed to 940 ft³ on the basis of revised analyses performed by Framatome Inc. for operations at higher power levels up to 2772 MWt. TS 4.5.2.1.b which specifies a surveillance acceptance criteria for the Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) high pressure injection (HPI) flow rate, currently at 500 gpm, would be lowered to 431 gpm, based upon the LOCA analyses performed by Framatome for operation at 2772 MWt. Lastly, the TS 3.3.1.1.f LCO which currently allows either local or remote manual operability of decay heat valves would be revised to delete the local manual valve operability option.

GPU Nuclear Inc. requests that the amendment authorizing this change become effective prior to the restart from the 12R refueling outage scheduled to begin on September 5, 1997.

Sincerely,

James W. Langenbach
Vice President and Director, TMI

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF
GPU NUCLEAR INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-289
LICENSE NO. DPR-50

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a copy of Technical Specification Change Request No. 263 to Appendix A of the Operating License for Three Mile Island Nuclear Station Unit 1, has, on the date given below, been filed with executives of Londonderry Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania; Dauphin County, Pennsylvania; and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, Bureau of Radiation Protection, by deposit in the United States mail, addressed as follows:

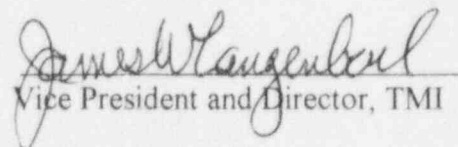
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BY:


Vice President and Director, TMI

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METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY
JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
AND
PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY
THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289
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This Technical Specification Change Request is submitted in support of Licensee's request to change Appendix A to Operating License No. DPR-50 for Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1. As a part of this request, proposed replacement pages for Appendix A are also included.

GPU NUCLEAR INC.

BY: James W. Langenbach
Vice President and Director, TMI

Sworn and Subscribed to before me
this 21st day of April, 1997.

Suzanne C. Miklosik
Notary Public

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Suzanne C. Miklosik, Notary Public
Londonderry Twp., Dauphin County
My Commission Expires Nov. 22, 1999
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