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Dear Mr. Canipe:

SUBJECT: MATERIAL TRACEABILITY - HVAC DUCTWORK AND STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS  
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In your letter dated October 30, 1978, the following position on the above subject was noted:

"Certified Mill Test Reports must be provided for all ductwork and structural HVAC supports. However, there does not have to be traceability from the Certified Mill Test Report to the ductwork and structural steel after it has been installed. It is acceptable to maintain the traceability during storage; to assure that only certified material is purchased for installation. Once this material is issued, the requirement for traceability is not necessary."

As noted in a discussion between you and Jim Conway on December 11, 1978, the above quoted statement is not a documented NRC position, but this subject was discussed during a telephone conversation in 1977 involving Mr. Mazo of Ebasco Services and our Mr. C. J. Heltemes.

In response to your letter, the NRC finds this "position" acceptable with the addition of a qualifier that there is documented evidence that previous data (e.g., mill test reports) were found acceptable and are traceable to a particular item prior to its issuance for fabrication and/or installation. This documented evidence should be maintained as a permanent record in accordance with ANSI N45.2.9-1974, "Requirements for Collection, Storage, and Maintenance of Quality Assurance Records for Nuclear Power Plants." 7812260049

In the case of other material items (e.g., screws, bolts, weld rod, etc.) used in the fabrication and installation of ductwork and supports, the above "position" would apply, and documented evidence of acceptability would not be required.

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It should also be understood that this "position" as qualified above should retain its consistency with a traceability requirement imposed on University Mechanical Engineers - Constructors by WPPSS.

If you have additional questions in this matter, please contact myself or Jim Conway on (301) 492-7741.

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
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