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Gentlemen:

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY
NORTH ANNA POWER STATION UNITS 1 AND 2
WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE
CONTROL ROOM EMERGENCY HABITABILITY

In a letter dated May 3, 1999 (Serial No. 99-264), Virginia Electric and Power Company requested amendments, in the form of changes to the Technical Specifications for Facility Operating License Numbers NPF-4 and NPF-7 for North Anna Power Station Units 1 and 2, respectively. The proposed changes would have increased the allowable leakage from ECCS components, established a consistent licensing basis for accidents requiring a dose analysis, and clarified the requirements of the control room emergency ventilation system. These changes were proposed to reduce the overall risk associated with ECCS system maintenance (i.e., less time with a train of ECCS inoperable) by reestablishing the limit for ECCS component leakage.

In a July 17, 2000, telephone conference call with the NRC staff, the appropriateness of our use of the ARCON96 computer code to generate atmospheric dispersion factors was discussed. Specifically, the NRC questioned the use of the ARCON96 vent release option and the use of ARCON96 to model a source and receptor geometry in which the horizontal separation was less than 10 meters. Based on this discussion, we are withdrawing the May 3, 1999 (Serial No. 99-264), amendment requests for the control room emergency ventilation system and ECCS allowable leakage.

We intend to address the modeling concerns noted in the telephone conference call and resubmit the proposed Technical Specifications change at a later date.

If you have any further questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,



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Commitments made in this letter:

1. None

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