

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA 23261

November 7, 2000

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attention: Document Control Desk  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Serial No. 00-469A  
NL&OS/ETS  
Docket Nos. 50-280, 281  
50-338, 339  
License Nos. DPR-32, 37  
NPF-4, 7

Gentlemen:

**VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY**  
**NORTH ANNA AND SURRY POWER STATIONS UNITS 1 AND 2**  
**ASME SECTION XI INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM**  
**WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ASME CODE REQUIREMENTS**

In a September 27, 2000 letter (Serial No. 00-469), Virginia Electric and Power Company proposed an alternative to the qualification and certification of VT-2 visual examiners requirements established by ASME Section XI, paragraph IWA-2300 for the remainder of the current inspection interval for North Anna and Surry Power Stations Units 1 & 2. The proposed alternative to the Code qualification and certification requirements was Code Case N-546 with additional provisions.

Code Case N-546 with the additional provisions was discussed in a telephone conference call with the NRC staff on October 12, 2000. In that call, the NRC stated that periodic requalification testing would also be required in addition to the provision of our proposed alternative. We have reevaluated the cost benefit associated with Code Case N-546 and the additional requalification testing requirement and have decided to withdraw our relief request to use Code Case N-546.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us.

Very truly yours,



Leslie N. Hartz  
Vice President - Nuclear Engineering and Services

Commitments contained in this letter: None

A047

cc: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region II  
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center  
61 Forsyth St., SW, Suite 23T85  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Mr. R. A. Musser  
NRC Senior Resident Inspector  
Surry Power Station

Mr. M. J. Morgan  
NRC Senior Resident Inspector  
North Anna Power Station

Mr. R. Smith  
Authorized Nuclear Inspector  
Surry Power Station

Mr. M. Grace  
Authorized Nuclear Inspector  
North Anna Power Station