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**Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant – Unit 2
Administrative Change Related to Steam Generator Replacement
Technical Specifications Amendment No. 138**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter requests that the NRC re-issue Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP) Unit 2 Technical Specification (TS) page 5.5-15 to resolve a timing problem with the implementation of two TS amendments for FNP Unit 2.

The NRC issued Amendment No. 138 to Facility Operating License (FOL) No. NPF-8 (Unit 2) in a letter dated December 29, 1999. Amendment No. 138 supports steam generator replacement for Unit 2 in the spring of 2001 and will be implemented prior to Unit 2 entering Mode 5 for Cycle 15. The NRC issued Amendment No. 140 for Unit 2 in a letter dated January 31, 2001. Amendment No. 140 has been implemented.

The TS page changed by Amendment No. 140 is affected by Amendment No. 138. Amendment No. 138 was submitted prior to the change to 10 CFR 50.59; therefore, Amendment No. 138 needs to be updated prior to implementation. Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) accordingly requests an administrative change to FOL NPF-8 Amendment No. 138, TS page 5.5-15, to reflect the changes on page 5.5-22 approved in FOL NPF-8 Amendment No. 140.

Attachment 1 provides TS page 5.5-15 from FOL NPF-8 Amendment No. 138 marked-up consistent with FOL NPF-8 Amendment No. 140. Attachment 2 provides the clean typed page. The amendment numbers at the bottom of TS page 5.5-15 will now be 148 for Unit 1 and 140 for Unit 2. This page will replace the page 5.5-15 issued as part of FOL NPF-8 Amendment No. 138.

This is an administrative change only. The basis and the conclusions reached in the significant hazards evaluation provided in the SNC letters dated December 1, 1998 and October 9, 2000 remain valid and unchanged.

SNC requests that this administrative change be issued by April 15, 2001 with implementation prior to Unit 2 entering Mode 5 for Cycle 15, planned for the Spring of 2001.

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This letter contains no NRC commitments. Please advise if you have any questions or need additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of March 2001

Martha Gayle Dow
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: November 1, 2001

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Attachments:

Attachment 1: Technical Specifications Markup Page

Attachment 2: Technical Specifications Clean Typed Page

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Attachment 1

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- b. Fuel oil stored in the emergency diesel generator storage tanks is within limits by verifying that a sample of diesel fuel oil from the storage tank, obtained in accordance with ASTM-D270-65, is within the acceptable limits specified in Table 1 of ASTM D975-74 when checked for viscosity, water, and sediment every 92 days.
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