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SUBJECT: KEWAUNEE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION RELATED TO PROPOSED AMENDMENT 172 TO KEWAUNEE
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (TAC NO. MB1032)

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff finds that the additional information identified in Enclosure 1 is needed.

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A phone call was held between Mark Van Noy (NMC) and myself on April 9, 2001, to discuss the questions to ensure that there was no misunderstanding. Also, the phone call established a mutually agreeable response date of 30 days from the date of this letter.

Please contact me at (301) 415-1446 if future circumstances should require a change in this response date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "John G. Lamb".

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Docket No. 50-305

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2. E-mail with Draft Request for Additional Information

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING
PROPOSED AMENDMENT 172 TO KEWAUNEE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT TECHNICAL
SPECIFICATONS FOR REACTOR COOLANT SYSTEM (RCS) MINIMUM FLOW
(TAC NO. MB1032)

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff finds that the following additional information is needed:

1. It is stated in your submittal that the design transient analyses used as the bases for the reactor coolant minimum flow value proposed in this amendment request (93,000 gpm) were calculated using RETRAN 3D in the 2D mode. However, NRC permission for Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP) to use this methodology will be restricted to preclude the use the code for five transient and accidents because benchmark analyses were not performed in the Topical Report WPSRSEM-NP, Rev. 3. Please confirm that all the supporting analyses for the proposes technical specification (TS) changes are performed with approved methods.
2. Provide the results of the re-analyzed non-loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) design-basis transients and accidents affected by the replacement steam generator (RSG) using assumptions consistent with RSG design and operating characteristics. This information is needed to support the proposed change in TS value of the RCS minimum flow.

ENCLOSURE 1

From: John Lamb
To: internet: TWEBB@wpsr.com
Date: 4/5/01 4:09PM
Subject: Fwd: Kewaunee - RCS Minimum Flow / RAIs

Tom,

Attached are the draft RAI questions for the RCS min flow TS change. Please give me a call when you get a chance so we can set up a conference call on the RAI.

John

ENCLOSURE 2

From: Chu-Yu Liang
To: John Lamb
Date: 4/5/01 3:29PM
Subject: Kewaunee - RCS Minimum Flow / RAIs

Please arrange a conference call with the licensee to discuss the attached RAIs. Thanks.

CC: Frank Akstulewicz

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CONCERNING TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE FOR
REACTOR COOLANT MINIMUM FLOW
KEWAUNEE NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

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