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Amendment 24 (Update)
UFTR Technical Specifications

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA TRAINING REACTOR
FACILITY LICENSE: R-56, DOCKET NO. 50-83
REQUEST FOR CHANGE IN TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Per our telephone conversation of December 14, 2004, this letter is to clarify the intent of the safety analysis of our requested Technical Specification Amendment 24 dated September 17, 2004. Basically, we have noted there is an inconsistency between the proposed wording to Tech Spec 4.2.2 and the safety analysis. Therefore, the first full paragraph of the analysis on page 2 should not refer to "dropping the inspection requirement." Rather, the intent is not to drop but rather to change the inspection requirement to match the request for the 10-year interval on the fuel inspection. Correct wording of the paragraph would be as follows:

The justification for increasing the inspection requirement to every 10 years is twofold. First, the incore inspection is only visual and this is all that is done on any of the incore inspections. Second, these incore visual inspections have never provided any indications of a problem. Again, as for the fuel inspections, nothing is learned by the more frequent incore inspection. Therefore, in the interest of dose commitment (ALARA), physical safety, fuel security and facility availability, the increase in the interval of the inspection of the mechanical integrity of the control blades and drive system in Tech Spec 4.2.2(4) that occurs during fuel inspections under the 10-year fuel inspection interval is supported.

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We appreciate your consideration of this amendment. Please let us know if you need further information.

Sincerely,

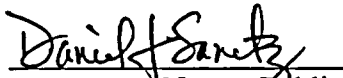


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Enclosures (13)

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Sworn and subscribed this 15th day of December 2004.



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