

September 24, 2007

TSTF-07-29  
PROJ0753

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**SUBJECT:** Revision to Scheduled Response Date for NRC Request for Additional Information Regarding TSTF-498, Revision 0, "Risk-Informed Containment Isolation Valve Completion Times (BAW-2461)," dated June 13, 2007.

- REFERENCES:**
1. Letter from Timothy Kobetz (NRC) to the Technical Specifications Task Force, requesting additional information regarding TSTF-498, Revision 0, "Risk-Informed Containment Isolation Valve Completion Times (BAW-2461)," dated June 13, 2007.
  2. Letter from the Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group (PWROG) to U.S. NRC, "Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group, Comments on BAW-2461 Draft Safety Evaluation (PA-LSC-0236)" (OG-07-283), dated June 19, 2007.
  3. Letter from Ho K. Nieh (NRC) to Gordon Bischoff (PWROG), "Final Safety Evaluation For Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group (PWROG) Topical Report BAW-2461, Revision 0, 'Risk-Informed Justification For Containment Isolation Valve Allowed Outage Time Change'," dated August 29, 2007.

Dear Sir or Madam:

In Reference 1, the NRC provided a Request for Additional Information (RAI) regarding TSTF-498, Revision 0, "Risk-Informed Containment Isolation Valve Completion Times (BAW-2461)." A response was requested within 90 days. This letter is to inform the NRC that the TSTF will need additional time to respond to the RAI and that our revised response date is October 19, 2007. The delay in the response to the RAI was communicated to Robert Tjader of the NRC Technical Specifications Branch on September 6, 2007.



The technical justification for TSTF-498 is contained in Topical Report BAW-2461, Revision 0, "Risk-Informed Justification for Containment Isolation Valve Allowed Outage Time Change." The RAI questions were related to differences between TSTF-498 and BAW-2461. In Reference 2, the PWROG provided comments on the draft Safety Evaluation for BAW-2461 which addressed those differences and the TSTF's draft response to the RAI was consistent with those comments. Unfortunately, the NRC's approval of BAW-2461 on August 29, 2007 (Reference 3) did not incorporate many of the PWROG's comments, resulting in the need to revise the TSTF's response to the RAI.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.



Bert Yates (PWROG/W)



John Messina (BWROG)



David Bice (PWROG/CE)



Reese Gambrell (PWROG/B&W)

Enclosure

cc: Tim Kobetz, Technical Specifications Branch, NRC  
Ross Telson, Technical Specifications Branch, NRC  
Matthew Hamm, Technical Specifications Branch, NRC