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RFO 19 is completed in order to support activities in
RFO 20, per 990825 telcon with NRC.

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RESULTS OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN NRC AND CP&L
REGARDING REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ASME BOILER AND PRESSURE
VESSEL CODE, SECTION XI, REGARDING SYSTEM HYDROSTATIC TESTING

Sir or Madam:

By letter dated January 20, 1999, Carolina Power & Light (CP&L) Company requested relief in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3) from the requirements of American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel (B&PV) Code, Section XI, "Rules for Inservice Inspection of Nuclear Power Plant Components," involving alternatives to hydrostatic testing for the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant (HBRSEP), Unit No. 2. The relief was requested to be approved by July 29, 1999. In a conversation between the NRC and CP&L conducted on August 25, 1999, the NRC indicated that it does not normally grant generic relief from Code Case N-498-1 requirements, but that system and situation specific relief has been granted in requests from other licensees. Therefore, CP&L plans to revise Relief Request No. 25 after Refueling Outage (RO) 19 is completed in order to support activities in RO 20.

If you have any questions on this subject, please contact Mr. H. K. Chernoff.

Sincerely,


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