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REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS CHANGE
REQUEST AND REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM 10 CFR 50, APPENDIX J

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to request withdrawal of a Technical Specifications (TS) change request and request for exemption from the provisions of 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, Section III.D.1(a), which were submitted to the NRC by Carolina Power & Light (CP&L) Company's letter dated July 29, 1994.

CP&L has currently scheduled the first Integrated Leak Rate Test of the current 10-year service period for 54 months after the previous test. As discussed during a telephone conversation with Ms. Brenda Mozafari, on November 29, 1994, we understand that the NRC position is that the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant (HBRSEP), Unit No. 2, does not need the requested change and exemption since the wording of the HBRSEP TS allows an interval of 54 months between performance of Type A containment leak testing. Further, we understand that a 54 month interval meets the intent of the NRC's regulations which require that such testing be performed at "...approximately equal intervals during each 10-year service period." If this understanding is not correct, this request for withdrawal is void, and we request that the NRC continue to review the submitted TS change and exemption requests to support Refueling Outage 16, which is currently scheduled to begin in April 1995.

Questions regarding this matter may be referred to Mr. K. R. Jury at (803) 383-1363.

Very truly yours,

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