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SUBJECT: VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION UNITS 2 & 3 – ISSUANCE OF  
AMENDMENT RE: USE OF AMERICAN WELDING SOCIETY D1.1 – 2000  
CRITERIA FOR STRUCTURAL WELDS (LAR 15-09) (TAC NO. RQ0452)

Dear Mr. Jones:

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A copy of the related Safety Evaluation, which includes the evaluation of the amendment is enclosed. The notice of issuance of the amendment and the documents included in this letter will be published in the *Federal Register*.

Sincerely,

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Docket No(s): 52-027 and 52-028

Enclosures:

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