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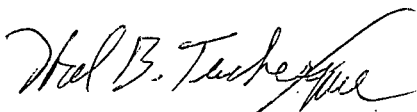
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Dear Sir:

By a letter dated September 20, 1985 Duke Power had advised the NRC that a modification to air-operated Valve C-176 was planned, which would resolve the concern that this valve (C-176) will open on complete loss of instrument air, resulting in the draining of the upper surge tank and causing a loss of suction to the Emergency Feedwater Pumps. In a recent conversation with your Staff, it was requested that Duke provide, in writing, a proposed schedule for completing the modification. Accordingly, the schedule is as follows; for Unit 1, during the End-of-Cycle 11 Refueling Outage, which is currently scheduled to begin April, 1989; for Unit 2, during the End-of-Cycle 10 Refueling Outage, which is currently scheduled to begin September, 1989; and for Unit 3, during the End-of-Cycle 11, currently scheduled to begin February, 1990. During the interim period, as noted in the September 20, 1985 Duke letter, the manual isolation block valve (C-175) will be closed which will prevent the potential for upper surge tank drainage following loss of instrument air.

Very truly yours,



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