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 relief valve rept. Potential need exists for review of  
 refinements to generic Mark II condensation oscillation load  
 or alternative load definition & methodology.

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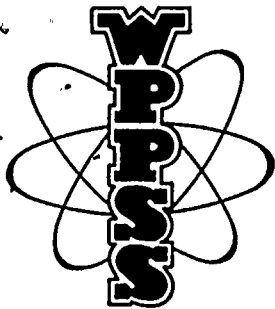
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
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Attention: Mr. B. J. Youngblood, Chief  
Licensing Branch 1  
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Gentlemen:

Subject: WPPSS Nuclear Project No. 2  
NRC Review of WNP-2  
Safety Relief Valve Report

The purpose of this letter is to identify additional NRC branch reviews required on the subject report and to alert the staff to a potential need for review of either refinements to the generic Mark II condensation oscillation load, or possibly an alternative load definition and methodology.

WPPSS made a WNP-2 docket specific presentation to the Generic Issues Branch, Task A-8 representatives and consultants August 5, 1980, in Chicago on the Safety Relief Valve Load definition for WNP-2 based upon full scale test results from Caorso in Italy. Our perceptions from this meeting are that the reaction of the NRC staff and consultants was favorable. Mr. Anderson of the GIB identified, however, that this report would also require review by the Structural and Mechanical Engineering Branches, and advised WPPSS to alert the Licensing Branch of these review needs. Mr. Anderson also indicated it is the Generic Issues Branch's goal to close out as many containment load definitions by December, 1980, as is possible.

Accordingly, we request your actions to obtain the additional branch reviews required on the subject submittal. In addition, we wish to advise the staff of preliminary indications that the generic CO load definition may not be tolerable for WNP-2, and of our desire to meet with the staff to discuss our findings and planned resolution when our investigations have proceeded to the point where such a meeting would be appropriate. We will be in contact with you later to determine a mutually agreeable date for this meeting.

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We would also plan to discuss at this meeting, the balance of NRC review required for closure of Mark II concerns on WNP-2 and the availability and schedule of staff/consultant resources for such a review.

Our licensing engineer will be in contact with you to make the final meeting arrangements.

Very truly yours,



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