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Gentlemen:

Subject: **WNP-2 OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21
RESPONSE TO SAFETY EVALUATION-JOINT OWNERS' GROUP
PROGRAM ON PERIODIC VERIFICATION OF MOTOR-OPERATED
VALVES (IN RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 96-05)**

- References:
- 1) Safety Evaluation on Joint Owners' Group Program on Periodic Verification of Motor-Operated Valves Described in Topical Report NEDC-32719, Revision 2, dated October 30, 1997
 - 2) Generic Letter 96-05, "Periodic Verification of Design Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves," dated September 18, 1996

On October 30, 1997, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued the reference 1) Safety Evaluation (SE), which within the conditions and limitations described in the SE, stated that the Staff considers the Joint Owners' Group (JOG) Program on Motor-Operated Valve Periodic Verification an acceptable industry-wide response to Generic Letter (GL) 96-05. 1/0

The JOG had agreed that after the issuance of the SE, requests would be made for participating utilities to notify the NRC of their plans to implement the JOG Program on Periodic Verification of Motor-Operated Valves, (i.e., NEDC-32719, Revision 2) and that any deviations from the JOG program would be justified. A073

By this letter, the Supply System is providing the requested response. The Supply System plans to continue to participate in the JOG Motor-Operated Valve Periodic Verification Program as a member of the Boiling Water Reactor Owners' Group and plans to implement the program elements described in Topical Report NEDC-32719, Revision 2.

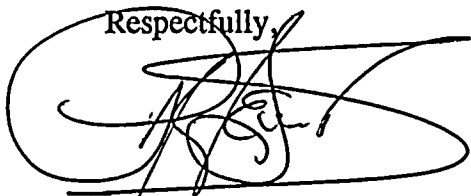
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PERIODIC VERIFICATION OF MOTOR-OPERATED VALVES (IN RESPONSE TO
GENERIC LETTER 96-05)**

If you have questions or require further information please contact me or Doug Coleman at
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Respectfully,

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