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Mr. J. B. Martin
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1450 Maria Lane, Suite 210
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Dear Mr. Martin:

Subject: NUCLEAR PLANT NO. 2, OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21
EQUIPMENT SETPOINT METHODOLOGY PROGRAM PLAN
(TAC NO. 55579)

Reference: Letter, G02-91-184, GC Sorensen (SS) to
JB Martin (NRC), same subject, dated 10/31/90

In the reference, the Supply System provided an update to the WNP-2 Setpoint Methodology program, indicating the expected completion of the harsh environment calculation by June 1991. To date, 53 of the 68 calculations (approximately 250 equipment pieces) have been completed by the contractor and 28 of the 53 calculations have been approved by Supply System Engineering. The final approval of the 68 calculations is scheduled for completion in March 1992.

Our process provides that if the completion of a calculation by the contractor indicates the potential for a problem with the existing equipment or setpoint, a Problem Evaluation Report will be written. This brings the problem to management attention for resolution and assurance that operability concerns are evaluated. The final Supply System approval of the calculation may follow the completion of the calculation by several months.

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The Supply System will continue to monitor the extent of application of the new methodology. Progress in this effort will continue based on resource availability and overall Supply System priorities and budget constraints.

Very truly yours,

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