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oscillation event on 920815. LER 92-037-00 currently under  
review to address issue. Corrects population of 9x9 design of  
core.

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Gentlemen:

Subject: WNP-2, OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21  
ADDITIONAL RESPONSE TO CONFIRMATORY ACTION LETTER

- References: 1) Letter, dated August 29, 1992, AL Oxsen (SS) to NRC, "Response to Confirmatory Action Letter"
- 2) Letter dated August 15, 1992, JB Martin (NRC) to AL Oxsen (SS), "Confirmatory Action Letter"

The Reference 1) letter provided the Supply System's response to the Reference 2) Confirmatory Action Letter regarding the power oscillation event that occurred at WNP-2 on August 15, 1992.

On page 9 of the attachment to Reference 1), a long-term corrective action item is presented regarding the Cycle 8 design review. It states that "(t)he stability of the existing core will be evaluated at selected exposures to confirm the corrective actions remain valid for the remainder of Cycle 8." A second sentence explains that some of these analyses remain to be accomplished. This concept was discussed early with the Augmented Inspection Team. We believe that with the commitment to a short-term corrective action to establish an approved startup plan that controls and specifies specific rod patterns for Cycle 8 startups, the stability analyses for selected exposures are no longer required. On September 8, 1992, this point was discussed among Messrs David Whitcomb and Alan Hosler of the Supply System and Mr. Lewis Miller of Region V. Mr. Miller agreed with our understanding.

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Therefore, page 9 of the attachment to Reference 1) is being revised to read as follows:

Cycle 8 Design Review

The stability of the existing core will be evaluated as part of the startup plan discussed in Section 5.0 SHORT-TERM CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, item 5, to ensure that the corrective actions are valid during plant startups that may occur for the remainder of Cycle 8 operation.

Also, on page 2 of the attachment the statement is made that "(c)urrently, for Cycle 8, WNP-2 has about 20% of its core with 9X9 design and the remaining 80% of the core is 8X8 design with 12 LFAs." The population of 9X9 design is 26% with the remaining 74% of the 8X8 design. This correction has not been previously communicated to the NRC.

The Supply System is currently preparing Licensee Event Report 92-037 to address this event. We expect that changes to the LER and to Reference 1) will be required in the future; in particular as the long-term corrective actions are further developed and attendant changes to the short-term corrective actions are appropriate. We propose that these changes be communicated to the NRC by revision to the LER and that separate letters to address the content of Reference 1) and this letter not be submitted. Please contact Alan Hosler at (509) 377-4278 if this approach is not acceptable.

Sincerely,



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