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Gentlemen:

Subject: **WNP-2 OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21
WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN
10CFR73.55(e)(1) DETECTION AID REQUIREMENTS**

Reference: Letter GO2-96-021, dated February 8, 1996, JV Parrish (SS) to NRC, same subject

The purpose of this letter is to withdraw our request for an exemption from the requirement in 10CFR73.55(e)(1) which states that, "All alarms required pursuant to this part must annunciate in a continuously manned central alarm station located within the protected area and in at least one other continuously manned station not necessarily on site, so that a single act cannot remove the capability of calling for assistance or otherwise responding to an alarm."

In the referenced letter, we had proposed the alternative method of continuous staffing of either, but not both, of the alarm stations. Upon further evaluation, we have decided to pursue this issue through active participation with the appropriate nuclear industry groups.

Accordingly, the Supply System hereby withdraws the request for an exemption to the detection aid requirements of 10CFR73.55(e)(1). Should you have any questions or require additional information pertaining to this letter, please contact Ms. Lourdes Fernandez at (509) 377-4147.

Respectfully,

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