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SUBJECT: Provides clarification to 870622 & 0701 re request for amend  
 to Tech Spec Section 6.8.1 concerning CEA symmetry test  
 program implementation. Requests that 870622 proposed Tech  
 Spec change be cancelled & 870701 change request amended.

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Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)  
Units 1, 2 and 3  
Docket Nos. STN 50-528 (License NPF-41)  
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STN 50-530 (License NPF-65)  
Technical Specification Change - Clarification  
File: 87-F-005-419.05; 87-056-026

- References: A) Letter from J. G. Haynes, ANPP, to NRC dated 6/22/87, Unit 3 Technical Specification Change (161-00291-JGH/JRP) ,
- B) Letter from J. G. Haynes, ANPP, to NRC dated 7/1/87, Unit 1 and 2 Technical Specification Change (161-00330-JGH/LJM)

Dear Sir:

This letter is provided to clarify the referenced submittals concerning the request for an amendment to the PVNGS Units 1, 2 and 3 Technical Specifications Section 6.8.1(o); CEA Symmetry Test Program implementation. In reference (A), ANPP proposed a change that would exempt the initial cycle of operation from performing a CEA Symmetry Test and in its place perform an alternate test program during initial startup of Unit 3. Reference (B) proposed a change that would modify the note to section 6.8.1(o) to read "The Licensee shall perform, after each reload, either a CEA symmetry test or worth measurements of all full-length CEA groups to address Section 4.2.2 of the PVNGS SER dated November 11, 1981."

In a meeting held with Messrs. E. A. Licitra, L. I. Kopp (NRC) and ANPP personnel, the proposed Technical Specification changes were discussed. In a subsequent telephone conversation with Mr. M. Davis of your staff, it was agreed to incorporate a single Technical Specification change for all three units, which would include the initial fuel load as well as each reload. The proposed change, as discussed for Units 1, 2 and 3, would now read: "The Licensee shall perform, after initial fuel load or after each reload, either a CEA symmetry test or worth measurements of all full-length CEA groups to address Section 4.2.2 of the PVNGS SER dated November 11, 1981."

Therefore, by this letter, we hereby request that the proposed Technical Specification change as presented in reference (A) be cancelled and the Technical Specification change as presented in reference (B) be amended to include Unit 3 as well as the wording agreed to in the telephone conversation with Mr. M. Davis (NRC), see attached marked-up Technical Specification page(s) for Units 1, 2 and 3.

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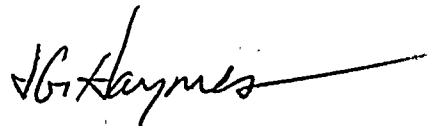
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Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1), and by copy of this letter and attachments, we have notified the Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency of this cancellation of the Unit 3 Technical Specification change request and the amending of the Unit 1 and 2 Technical Specification change to include Unit 3 and the proposed new wording.

Should you have any questions please call R. A. Bernier at (602) 371-4295.

Very truly yours,



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