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SUBJECT: Requests mod of 870326 application for amend to Tech Spec  
 6.9.1.11 re peaking factor limit rept.

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AEP:NRC:0916AA

Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-315  
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WITHDRAWAL OF PEAKING FACTOR LIMIT REPORT TECHNICAL  
SPECIFICATION FROM SUBMITTAL NO. AEP:NRC:0916W

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attn: T. E. Murley

June 7, 1988

Dear Dr. Murley:

The purpose of this letter is to modify our March 26, 1987 technical specification (T/S) submittal (AEP:NRC:0916W) with regard to the peaking factor limit report (Unit 1 proposed T/S 6.9.1.11). This submittal is made pursuant to discussions with your staff on May 11, 1988.

Background

The NRC's safety evaluation report for Unit 1 T/S Amendment 74 required us to submit the V(Z) functions for each new cycle in a peaking factor limit report at least 60 days prior to initial cycle criticality. In our submittal AEP:NRC:0916W, we proposed to place the requirement to submit the report in the T/Ss. Our proposed T/S used wording similar to that found in draft Rev. 5 of the Standard Technical Specifications (STS) except that our proposal required the report to be submitted 15 days, rather than 60 days, prior to initial criticality. This difference was to allow us to optimize core design by utilizing end-of cycle burnup data and information from fuel leak-testing operations which are unattainable before the end of cycle. Because it appeared unlikely that our proposed T/S change would be approved in time to allow us to submit the report for the upcoming Unit 1 cycle (Cycle 10) 60 days prior to initial criticality, we also requested specific permission to submit the Cycle 10 report 15 days prior to criticality.

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By letter dated May 1, 1987 (attached), the NRC granted us permission (for Unit 1 Cycle 10 only) to submit the peaking factor limit report after initial cycle criticality. The letter noted that they were in the process of evaluating their requirements with regard to submittal of the peaking factor limit report, including acceptable T/S changes. On May 11, 1988, however, we were informed that the NRC was not prepared to grant our proposed T/S 6.9.1.11.

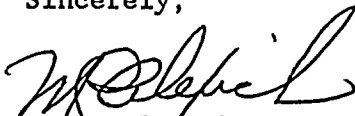
Pursuant to our May 11, 1988 discussions, we are requesting withdrawal of our proposed change.

Other Considerations

As required by the Safety Evaluation Report for Unit 1 Amendment 74, we will continue to submit the peaking factor limit report at least 60 days prior to scheduled cycle start-up, unless a relaxation from the requirement is granted by the NRC.

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Sincerely,



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Vice President

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Attachment

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Attachment to AEP:NRC:0916AA

Letter, Mr. D. L. Wiggington (NRG)

to Mr. John E. Dolan (IMECo.)

dated May 1, 1987