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50-251/94-99 for period of 930131-940827. Four "fires"
discussed in plant support section of SALP rept minor in
nature, as clarified at 941006 NRC/FPL SALP meeting.

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Re: Turkey Point Units 3 and 4
Docket Nos. 50-250 and 50-251
Inspection Report No. 94-99
Response to Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance

Dear Mr. Ebnetter:

By letter dated September 23, 1994, the NRC provided to Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) the Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Report for Turkey Point Units 3 and 4. The evaluation summarized by the report covers the period of January 31, 1993 through August 27, 1994.

FPL has reviewed this report and believes that, overall, it is a comprehensive and fair assessment of regulatory performance at Turkey Point. We would, however, like to take this opportunity to share our thoughts pertaining to some of the NRC observations discussed in the report.

With regard to the need to take units out of service from time to time to effect needed repairs to the balance of plant, we agree that further improvement to the material condition of the balance of plant equipment is needed. This improvement opportunity is being aggressively pursued by the plant staff. However, one redeeming aspect is that the plant staff is using very conservative judgment in deciding when to shut down the plant to repair equipment.

In the area of radio-chemistry, the weakness noted by the NRC was related to the plant having an insufficient number of technicians trained in a specific required analysis. This weakness is receiving appropriate additional attention.


Additionally, as was clarified at the NRC/FPL SALP meeting at Turkey Point on October 6, 1994, the four "fires" discussed in the "Plant Support" section of the SALP report were minor in nature, (for example, small quantities of smoldering material). The four onsite occurrences were, nonetheless, classified as fires. They resulted in no damage to plant systems or structures and were either self extinguished or put out by plant staff without the need for offsite assistance or the on-site Fire Brigade.

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We welcome the challenge of continual improvement throughout the operation of Turkey Point with particular emphasis in problem areas such as those discussed in the report.

Very truly yours,



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