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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

SUBJECT: Waterford 3 SES
Docket No. 50-382
Amendment No. 5 to FSAR

REFERENCES: (1) Letter from R. L. Baer to D. L. Aswell dated April 26, 1979
(2) Letter from R. L. Baer to D. L. Aswell dated June 11, 1979
(3) Letter from R. L. Baer to D. L. Aswell May 18, 1979
(4) Letter from R. S. Boyd to D. L. Aswell dated April 19, 1979

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are three signed originals and 60 copies of Amendment No. 5 to the Waterford 3 FSAR. This amendment reflects responses to most of the questions in the above Reference (1) plus routine revisions made by LP&L. Those questions in this reference not included in Amendment No. 5, but will be submitted on August 24, 1979, are as follows:

022.11	313.18	321.11	331.16
022.18	313.29	321.12	
022.20	313.41	331.9	
022.21	313.43	331.10	
121.10	313.44	331.11	
313.15	321.8	331.15	

Responses to the Core Performance Branch questions in Reference (2) will be submitted on September 7, 1979 along with the responses to the Power Systems Branch questions.

The response to question 371.10, regarding hydrology, in Reference (2) will be submitted on August 24, 1979.

The response to question 022.23, regarding containment analysis, in Reference (3) will be submitted on August 24, 1979.

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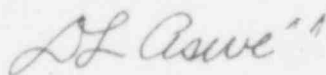
The following Branches have not submitted Round One questions:

- Reactor Systems (Branch 210)
- Quality Assurance (Branch 422/Conduct of Operations)
- Structural Engineering (Branch 130)
- Materials Engineering (Branch 122/Metallurgy)
- Reactor Safeguards (Branch 431)
- Quality Assurance (Branch 423/Testing)
- Instrumentation and Control Systems (Branch 030)
- Mechanical Engineering (Branch 110)
- Auxiliary Systems (010)

In light of Mr. Denton's comments at our June 13, 1979 meeting at Bethesda regarding current NRC resource limitations, we believe it is incumbent upon both the NRC and LP&L to arrive at a schedule for the issuance of these late Round One questions. We are particularly concerned that several licensing issues have the potential for causing design changes. In this respect, we urgently request your consideration of quickly providing NRC comments or questions related to those issues for which we have requested early feedback.

So as to provide a basis for recovering lost licensing schedule time, LP&L is evaluating potential methods for expediting elements of the schedule. We will be prepared to discuss these methods, and other matters, within several weeks and will contact your Mr. R. A. Benedict to arrange a meeting.

Yours very truly,



D. L. Aswell

DLA/RWP/dc

Enclosure

cc: Messrs. E. Blake
M. Stevenson

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PARISH OF ORLEANS)

D. L. Aswell, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President-Power Production of Louisiana Power & Light Company and that he is authorized on the part of said company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this amendment.

D. L. Aswell

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, a Notary Public in and for the Parish and State above named, this 14th day of JULY 1979

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

WITH LIFE

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