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



Subject: Arkansas Nuclear One - Units 1 & 2
Docket Nos. 50-313 and 50-368
License Nos. DPR-51 and NPF-6
Response to Safety Evaluation Reports
on Environmental Qualification of
Class 1E Electrical Equipment
(File: 1510.6, 2-1510.6)

Gentlemen:

By letters dated June 16, 1981 and May 22, 1981, the staff Safety Evaluation Reports (SERs) for ANO-1 and ANO-2, respectively, were forwarded to AP&L. The letters transmitting these SERs requested that our responses be provided within 90 days. In order to comply with this request, our responses would be required by September 14, 1981 for ANO-1 and August 20, 1981 for ANO-2.

We are currently in the process of preparing our responses. It is now apparent, however, the requested response dates cannot be met and some additional time will be required. This delay is the result of several factors. The SERs have raised certain issues which were not within the scope of our original review. For example, although the DOR Guidelines excluded flooding outside the containment as an item to be reviewed, the SERs now require that we address this issue. Additionally, as a result of a recent meeting between the NRC staff and industry representatives on July 7-10, 1981, we feel that more detail will be required in our response than we had originally anticipated.

For the reasons cited above, we request an additional 45 days in which to complete preparation of our SER responses. This will result in revised response dates of October 29, 1981 for ANO-1 and October 4, 1981 for ANO-2. We feel this delay will result in a more complete response and thus facilitate your review.

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By letter dated June 12, 1981, you also requested that, within 90 days of issuance of the SERs, we inform you of our intentions relative to our pending hearing request on this issue. We will confirm our plans in regard to the hearing requests for both units by October 29, 1981, concurrently with our response to the ANO-1 SER. Unless we receive notification to the contrary we will assume the submittal dates proposed above are acceptable.

Very truly yours,

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