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Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing
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
Environmental Qualification
Safety Evaluation Reports
(File: 1510.6, 2-1510.6)

Gentlemen:

By letters dated June 16, 1981 and May 22, 1981, Environmental Qualification Safety Evaluation Reports (SERs) for ANO-1 and ANO-2, respectively, were forwarded to AP&L. The SERs requested a response within 90 days. By letter dated August 4, 1981 from D. C. Trimble to D. G. Eisenhut, AP&L requested an additional 45 days in which to respond and delineated various items which warranted such a delay.

Subsequent to our August 4, 1981 request for additional time, I have discussed this matter via telephone conversations with Mr. Mark Williams of your staff. Mr. Williams indicated a 45 day delay would be inconsistent with the staff's schedule and could, in his opinion, adversely impact our schedule for complying with NRC's target date for equipment qualification.

In consideration of Mr. Williams comments we are proceeding as quickly as possible to prepare responses to the subject SERs. We now expect delays of no more than two weeks beyond the requested 90 day response dates. In order to complete our responses on this accelerated schedule, certain items will not be addressed as thoroughly as we would like. Such items

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will be the subject of future submittals. Please be assured any delays encountered during the preparation of the SER responses will not adversely affect our schedule for those corrective actions we deem necessary for compliance with NRC orders relative to this issue.

Very truly yours,

David C. Trimble

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Manager, Licensing

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