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SUBJECT: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-333
**Proposed Changes to the Technical Specifications Regarding
Instrumentation Surveillance Test Intervals, Allowable
Out-of-Service Times, and Other Changes (JPTS-90-010)**

Dear Sir:

This application for an amendment to the James A. Fitzpatrick Technical Specifications proposes an extension in the functional test intervals and allowable out-of-service times for most of the instrumentation subject to the requirements of the Technical Specifications. These changes are based on NRC approved Licensing Topical Reports prepared under the direction of the BWR Owners Group. The changes will enhance plant safety by reducing the potential for test related reactor scrams, excessive test cycles on equipment, and operator errors.

Additionally, the application proposes the following changes to the instrumentation sections: (1) remove the APRM downscale scram function, (2) remove the instrument response time values in accordance with Generic Letter 93-08, and (3) incorporate miscellaneous changes involving editorial revisions, clarification improvements, and revisions to conform the Technical Specifications to the actual plant design. The instrumentation subject to this application involves the following safety functions: Reactor Protection System, Primary Containment Isolation Systems, Emergency Core Cooling Systems, Control Rod Blocks, and ATWS Recirculation Pump Trips.

The signed original of the Application for Amendment to Operating License is enclosed for filing. Attachments I, II, and III to this application contain the proposed revisions to the Technical Specifications, the associated safety evaluation, and the marked-up Technical Specification pages, respectively. A copy of this application and the associated attachments is being provided to the designated New York State official in accordance with 10 CFR 50.91.

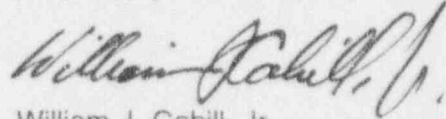
Considering the safety benefits associated with the proposed changes, an expedited review will be appreciated. The Authority is prepared to brief the NRC reviewers on the contents of the application at a meeting scheduled at your convenience.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. J. A. Gray, Jr.

Very truly yours,



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