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

Attention: Mr. D. G. Eisenhut, Director

Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant - Units 1 and 2
Request for Time Extension on Response
to Generic Letter 83-28 Sections 2.2 and 3.2

Gentlemen:

This letter requests an extension of time for responding to Sections 2.2 and 3.2 of your letter of July 8, 1983 to all licensees regarding the Salem ATWS Events. This extension is requested for Farley Nuclear Plant - Units 1 and 2.

Alabama Power Company is a member of the Nuclear Utility Task Action Committee (NUTAC) formed on September 1, 1983 for the specific purpose of defining the provisions of an appropriate program for ensuring that adequate equipment information is determined. The NUTAC effort to describe such program provisions is currently scheduled for completion in February, 1984.

Alabama Power Company will utilize this information to evaluate its present program in order to ensure that a comprehensive Farley Nuclear Plant system is available to obtain appropriate information for safety related equipment, assure adequate evaluation, and implement appropriate recommendations in accordance with plant procedures and instructions.

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Mr. S. A. Varga
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

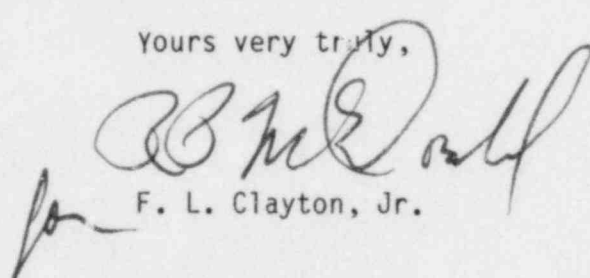
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While the NUTAC efforts are specifically oriented to Section 2.2.2, the Generic Letter states that "the program shall be closely coupled with action 2.2.1". In addition, Section 3.2 requests that a comprehensive post-maintenance testing program be defined for safety-related components (excluding the reactor trip system). Since the NUTAC efforts will define the provisions for obtaining information related to safety related equipment (e.g., operating experience and maintenance problems), it is apparent that a comprehensive program addressing Section 3.2 should also reflect the NUTAC efforts. Alabama Power Company, therefore, asks for extension in responding to Sections 2.2 and 3.2 of the Generic Letter 83-28 until 90 days after receipt of the NUTAC information.

In view of Alabama Power Company's continuing participation in the SEE-IN and NPRDS programs, it is believed that this time extension will have no immediate impact on the public health and safety. In concert with our efforts in the NUTAC, Alabama Power Company is evaluating our existing capability of conforming with Section 2.2 and 3.2 provisions. It is also noted that Alabama Power Company fully intends to address each of the highest priority items outlined by the Generic Letter within the requested timeframe.

If there are any questions, please contact us.

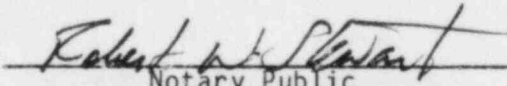
Yours very truly,


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SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
THIS 6th DAY OF September 1983


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10/27/85