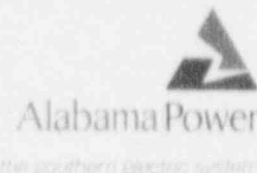


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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant
Unrestricted Access Authorization In Accordance With 10 CFR 73.56

Gentlemen:

On May 6, 1991, Alabama Power Company, as holder of the licenses for the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP), Units 1 and 2, submitted to the NRC its Application to Amend Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-2 and NPF-8 to add Southern Nuclear Operating Company (Southern Nuclear) as a licensee. Upon amendment of the licenses, Southern Nuclear will become the operator of FNP, and Alabama Power Company will retain ownership of FNP.

As stated in the Application, the FNP on-site organization will not change after the effective date of the amendments, except that nuclear generation plant personnel will cease being employees of Alabama Power Company and will become employees of Southern Nuclear (See Application, p. 11).

With respect to the new regulations concerning unrestricted access authorization for nuclear personnel, in accordance with 10 CFR 73.56 existing plant personnel who have had an uninterrupted unescorted access authorization for FNP for at least 180 days prior to April 25, 1991 will continue to have such authorization without further evaluation. It is our intention that these employees will retain their unescorted access to FNP without further evaluation after they are reassigned to Southern Nuclear. For these employees, the assumption of operating authority by Southern Nuclear will not change the site of their work or interrupt their employment at the site, and therefore we do not consider further evaluation necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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