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JPN-95-028

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Subject: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-333
Updated Status Report on Seismic Verification
Unresolved Safety Issue (USI) A-46

- References:
1. NRC letter, J.G. Partlow to R.E. Beedle, dated May 22, 1992, Supplement No. 1 to Generic Letter 87-02 transmits SSER No. 2 on SQUG Generic Implementation Procedure, Rev. 2.
 2. NRC letter, Brian McCabe to R.E. Beedle, dated November 17, 1992, regarding USI A-46 Resolution Commitments in Reference 3 for the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant.
 3. NYPA letter, R.E. Beedle to the NRC, dated September 22, 1992, (IPN-92-043/JPN-92-053), response to Supplement No. 1 to Generic Letter 87-02.
 4. NYPA letter, R.E. Beedle to the NRC, dated December 21, 1992, (IPN-92-057/JPN-92-070), regarding Changing the Licensing Basis to Reflect a Commitment to the USI A-46 (GIP-2) Methodology.
 5. NYPA safety evaluation, JAF-SE-94-022, Seismic Verification of Equipment by SQUG Generic implementation Procedure (GIP), dated March 23, 1994.

Dear Sir:

This letter provides an updated schedule and status for resolution of USI A-46 for the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant.

In response to Reference 1, the Authority committed to address Unresolved Safety Issue (USI) A-46 by using the methodology detailed in the Seismic Qualification Utility Group (SQUG) Generic Implementation Procedure (GIP, Rev. 2). The NRC concluded in Reference 2 that the Authority's commitments are acceptable.

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The following actions have been completed:

- Preparation of Safe Shutdown Equipment List (SSEL) and Relay List
- Walkdowns of SSEL components and essential relays
- Resolution of several outliers

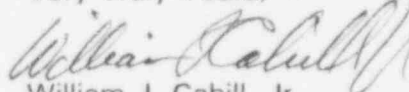
No operability concerns exist for any of the identified outliers.

The Authority stated (Reference 3) that the plant walkdown would be completed in February of 1994, during the Reload 11/Cycle 12 Refueling Outage. The Reload 10/Cycle 11 Refueling Outage was extended due to implementation of improvements. This resulted in the Reload 11/Cycle 12 Refueling Outage being delayed approximately one year. Based on this, the walkdown was completed in January of 1995 and a summary Report will be submitted to the NRC by November 17, 1995. This schedule complies with the three year schedule in Supplemental Safety Evaluation Report (SSER) Number 2, Section II.4.2.3.

The Authority committed (Reference 4) to change the facility licensing basis to reflect the utilization of USI A-46 (GIP) methodology. The facility has completed a (Reference 5) safety evaluation to reflect the utilization of USI A-46 (GIP) methodology. The FSAR will be updated at the completion of the project and upon receipt of a final Safety Evaluation Report (SER) from the NRC. This update will add that the GIP methodology be adopted in addition to the present licensing basis.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. A. Zaremba.

Very Truly Yours,



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Attachment I: Summary of Commitments

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Attachment I to JPN-95-028

Summary of Commitments

| Commitment Number | Commitment | Due Date |
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| JPN-95-028-001 | Submit summary report to the NRC documenting the resolution of USI-A46, "Seismic Adequacy of Mechanical and Electrical Equipment." | November 17, 1995 |
| JPN-95-028-002 | Update the FitzPatrick UFSAR to reflect NYPA safety evaluation JAF-SE-94-022, and add a description of the GIP methodology. Include statement that GIP methodology is in addition to the current licensing basis. | First UFSAR update after receipt of NRC SER. |