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SUBJECT: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-333
Withdrawal of Amendment Application (JPTS-84-012)

Reference: NYPA letter, J.C. Brons to the NRC, dated January 16, 1990,
(JPN-90-008), "Proposed Change to the Technical Specifications
Regarding Containment Leak Rate Testing Requirements (JPTS-84-
012)."

Dear Sir:

The New York Power Authority withdraws the Technical Specification amendment application contained in the referenced letter. The proposed changes would have revised the surveillance requirements associated with primary containment leak rate testing at the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant.

Since the Technical Specification amendment application was filed, new circumstances have developed which affect two of the changes proposed in it. First, the NRC issued Generic Letter 91-04, which provides new guidance for exceeding the 24-month maximum surveillance interval for Type B and C leak rate testing. It requires that several evaluations be performed to consider the effects of a 24-month $\pm 25\%$ Type B and C surveillance test interval. These evaluations will be performed to support the 24-month operating cycle amendment application, expected to be submitted in early 1993.

Second, the Authority determined that the two low pressure coolant injection (LPCI) independent power supply charger/inverters were not designed to withstand the 30-day post accident dose associated with the existing containment leak rate test acceptance criterion. A modification is being installed which will resolve this issue. However, additional evaluations must be performed to ensure that the proposed containment leak rate acceptance criterion would not adversely affect other equipment. Following these evaluations, the Authority may revise and resubmit this Technical Specification amendment request.

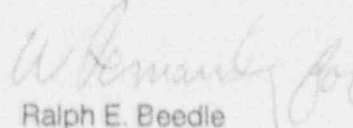
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