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Perry Nuclear Power Plant  
Docket No. 50-440  
Additional Information to Support License Amendment  
Request on Drywell Leak Rate Testing Requirements

Gentlemen:

In a telephone call on February 28, 1996, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff provided feedback on the Perry Nuclear Power Plant license amendment request involving Technical Specification requirements for drywell leak rate testing. The original request was submitted by letter dated January 16, 1996 (PY-CEI/NRR-2007L). Specifically, the staff noted that additional time would be required for review of portions of the request such as the drywell air lock testing changes. Therefore, issuance of a subset of the proposal is requested in support of the fifth refueling outage.

The proposed page mark-ups are attached to this letter, in both the present format and the Amendment 69 format (the improved technical specifications). The changes consist of a one-time exception to the surveillance test frequency for the drywell bypass leak rate test, extending performance of this test to the sixth refueling outage. The test would not be performed during the fifth refueling outage. This current proposal would be considered more conservative than that analyzed and found to be acceptable in the Significant Hazards Consideration accompanying the request dated January 16, 1996. Therefore, the previously submitted Significant Hazards Consideration would bound the current proposal, and submittal of a new Significant Hazards Consideration is not necessary.

Review of the full original proposal is requested in a timely manner, to support outage planning efforts for the sixth refuel outage.

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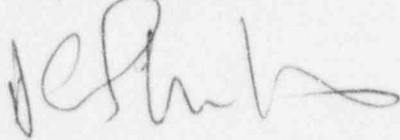
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If you have questions or require additional information, please contact  
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Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'J. Kloosterman', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Attachment

cc: RC Project Manager  
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