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

Attention: Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director

Dear Mr. Denton:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station  
Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-416  
License No. NPF-29  
File: 0290/L-860.0  
Elimination of Testing of Automatic  
Load Following Mode from GGNS  
Startup Test Program  
AECM-85/0131


This letter is submitted for information purposes to notify the NRC Staff of MP&L's intention to eliminate the startup testing activities previously planned for the automatic load following mode of operation. As discussed with members of the NRC staff on April 16, 1985, MP&L considers the startup tests that involve automatic load following testing to be unnecessary since GGNS will not be operating in this mode. The elimination of the applicable portions of the GGNS startup tests (Test Nos. 22 and 29) has been evaluated by General Electric. General Electric has classified this testing to be nonessential, consistent with the criteria provided in NRC Question 423.22. MP&L concurs in this determination. To prevent operation in the automatic load following mode, MP&L will disable this feature on GGNS.

Due to the classification of this testing as nonessential, its elimination is not a major modification to the startup test program as defined in operating license condition 2.C(31). The Plant Safety Review Committee has reviewed and concurred with the testing classification and that automatic load following will not be used at GGNS.

Please advise if you require any additional information on this matter.

Yours truly,

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