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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

ATTENTION: Document Control Desk

SUBJECT: Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant
Unit Nos. 1 & 2; Docket Nos. 50-317 & 50-318
Special Report Concerning Technical Specification 3.3.3.7,
Action Statement b

Gentlemen:

In accordance with our Technical Specifications, please find attached a special report concerning the disabling of Technical Specification fire detection equipment in our Spent Fuel Area. This fire detection equipment was disabled to allow installation of a new spent fuel crane. We expect this equipment to be out of service until the crane is installed some time in December 1992. Until that time we will continue to implement the Technical Specification and procedurally required alternate actions for this equipment.

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment

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FIRE DETECTION INSTRUMENTATION SPECIAL REPORT

BACKGROUND

On October 5, 1992 the Fire Detection for the Spent Fuel Area was disabled. The smoke and flame detection in the Spent Fuel Area was disabled to permit work activities to be conducted (welding, cutting and grinding operations) during the modification work under Facility Change Request (FCR) 88-0081. This FCR will accomplish the installation of a new spent fuel crane.

As specified by Technical Specification 3.3.3.7, Action Statement b, a special report must be issued to the Commission pursuant to Technical Specification 6.9.2 if the fire detection system is not restored to an OPERABLE status within 14 days.

EFFECT ON UNIT OPERATION

On October 5, 1992 with both Unit 1 and 2 at MODE 1, the smoke and flame detection system for the Spent Fuel Area was disabled in accordance with our temporary alteration process. The smoke and flame detection in the Spent Fuel Area is listed in Technical Specification 3.3.3.7. Action Statement b, to this Technical Specification requires an hourly fire watch patrol be established to inspect the fire zone. In addition to the hourly fire watch patrol, a continuous fire watch is required by Calvert Cliff procedures during welding/cutting/grinding operations in the room. Based on the fact that adequate controls are in place to prevent, detect, and mitigate the effects of potential fires in the Spent Fuel Area, the disabling of the smoke and flame detection has no effect on Unit operation.

PLANS AND SCHEDULES

FCR 88-0081 is scheduled to be completed by December 1992 and the appropriate actions will continue in accordance with Technical Specification 3.3.3.7 and procedural requirements until the fire detection equipment in the area is restored to an operable status.