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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant, Unit 1  
Interim Plugging Criteria

Gentlemen:

The NRC Staff has recently requested that Southern Nuclear commit to pulling tubes in support of the interim/alternate plugging criteria during the upcoming Unit 1 outage.

Therefore, during the Unit 1 eleventh refueling outage, Southern Nuclear will attempt to pull tubes under the following priorities and guidelines.

Priority 1. Outside diameter stress corrosion cracking within the bounds of the tube support plate, with a bobbin voltage greater than 3 volts.

Priority 2. Outside diameter stress corrosion cracking within the bounds of the tube support plate.

If two pullable tubes are found in priority 1, two tubes will be pulled to provide the maximum number of indications.

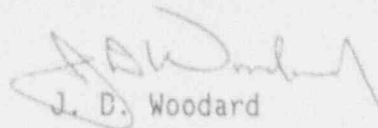
If two priority 1 pullable tubes are not found, one tube will be pulled to provide the maximum number of indications. This tube will be from priority 1 if possible, or if no priority 1 tubes are found, then a priority 2 tube will be pulled.

Pullable tubes are considered to be those tubes which have indications at the first, second, or third support plate; tubes which have not been plugged for more than one cycle; and tubes which are physically obtainable.

Results of the tube pull will be provided to the Staff within two months of the Unit 1 startup.

If there are any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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