

November 5, 1992

NOTE TO: Dennis M. Crutchfield, Associate Director
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

FROM: John W. Craig, Director
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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF GREEN TICKET EDO #8215 REGARDING ACRS LETTER ON
PROPOSED BRANCH TECHNICAL POSITION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIFICATION OF
ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT FOR LICENSE RENEWAL

I request that the Office of the Executive Director for Operations completion date for the subject green ticket item be revised from November 13, 1992, to December 4, 1992, and the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation due date be revised from November 10, 1992, to December 1, 1992.

Additional time is needed to complete this activity because the response has to be coordinated with ADT and because of the preparation required for the forthcoming Commission briefings on license renewal issues and senior management briefings on these issues.

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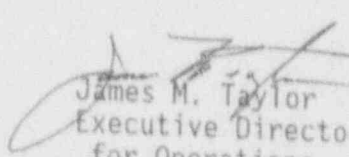
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The staff will consider existing ACRS comments in this reassessment. Additionally, the staff will keep the ACRS informed of its progress on this issue.

Sincerely,


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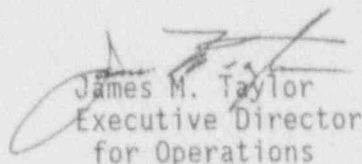
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