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Attention: Mr. Walter Butler, Chief
Licensing Branch 2
Division of Licensing

Gentlemen:

POWER ASCENSION SCHEDULE MEETING
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NO. 50-354

As indicated at the Hope Creek NRC Caseload Management Meeting on June 26, 1985, an accelerated power ascension test program is planned for the Hope Creek Generating Station. The accelerated program is targeting for the completion of the power ascension test program in 185 days, or less; as compared to the 240 days currently forecast in the FSAR.

Certain aspects of the accelerated test program will require NRC review and approval. In order to start the NRC's consideration of these matters, a meeting with NRC management and technical personnel has been requested for the first of August. As outlined on the attached agenda, Mr. C. A. McNeill, Vice President - Nuclear and Mr. W. Schell, Power Ascension Director, will give a one hour management summary, followed by a more detailed technical meeting.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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USNRC Licensing Project Manager

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PROPOSED AGENDA
HOPE CREEK/NRC MEETING

1. Management Meeting

1.1 Meeting objectives

Mr. C. A. McNeill

1.1.1 Obtain NRC support for concept of
ascension test program acceleration

1.1.2 Determine basis on which NRC will
consider exceptions to Reg. Guides
and Technical Spec. surveillance
requirements

1.1.3 Obtain NRC commitment for expedited
review of licensee submittals

1.1.4 Explore the use of 50.59 as a
mechanism for power ascension test
program accelerated changes

1.2 Power ascension test program acceleration

Mr. W. Schell

1.3 Discussion/NRC management feedback

2. Technical Meeting

2.1 Test simplification and elimination

Elimination of turbine trip test at TC-3
Elimination of hot single rod scram testing
Elimination of TC-4 testing

2.2 Technical specification relaxation

HPCI surveillance
FRVS surveillance

2.3 Discussions/NRC feedback