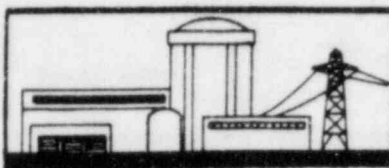


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July 5, 1985

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Subject: B&W Owners Group/NRC Interactions

Dear Mr. Denton:

There have been two interactions between the NRC and the B&W Owners Group within the past week which I felt deserved comment on behalf of the B&W Owners Group. That is the purpose of this letter.

As you are aware, the B&W Owners Group has for several years been involved in what we believe to be the most extensive Reactor Vessel Materials Program in the industry today. One element of that program involves ex-vessel dosimetry measurements. The objective of this element in simple terms is to provide a reliable means of measuring fluence on the reactor vessel with equipment mounted external to the vessel itself. I have recently been informed by representatives of the B&WOG Materials Committee that they had a very successful meeting with representatives of your staff on June 27, 1985. The objective of that meeting was to present our ex-vessel dosimetry program as it presently stands and to obtain feedback at an early stage from the staff which might be useful to us in further refining our plans. The meeting was successful and we did receive useful feedback from the staff. We have completed the preparation of a draft report which will formalize most of the information presented to the staff during this meeting and expect it to be submitted within the next few weeks. We look forward to a prompt and thorough review and would welcome further interactions between your staff and the Materials Committee should questions come up during the process of that review.

On a different subject, our Steering Committee held its most recent meeting in Bethesda on June 27-28, 1985. We had requested an NRC representative to attend a portion of that meeting to describe the staff's current activities and near-term plans with regard to degraded core investigations. Mr. Jerry Hulman attended that meeting, made a presentation and participated in some very worthwhile discussions. We appreciate the staff's willingness to have these kinds of interactions with the Owners Groups.

Very truly yours,

Hal B. Tucker, Chairman  
B&WOG Executive Committee

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