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Baltimore Gas & Electric
Calvert Cliffs 1, 2

Consumers Power Co.
Palisades
Florida Power & Light Co.
St. Lucie 1, 2

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WSES Unit 3

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Maine Yankee
Northeast Utilities Service Co.
Milestone 2

Omaha Public Power District
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Southern California Edison Co.
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
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**Subject: Combustion Engineering Owners Group Endorsement of a
Lead Plant Submittal**

Reference: (1) M.B. Sellman (Entergy Operations) to U.S. Nuclear
Regulatory Commission, "Technical Specification Change
Request -38-174, letter W3F1-96-0004, dated July 17,
1996.

Gentlemen:

The Combustion Engineering Owners Group (CEOG) has reviewed the Entergy Operations proposed Technical Specification Change of Reference (1). We find the change to be applicable to at least three other CEOG member plants and endorse the proposed change as a lead plant submittal for the CEOG.

To support the lead plant submittal, please find enclosed twelve (12) copies of report CE NPSD-951, "Reactor Trip Circuit Breakers Surveillance Frequency Extension". Report CE NPSD-951 was developed by the CEOG and examined the reliability and over testing of reactor trip circuit breakers.

Timely approval of the lead plant submittal will preclude the need for review on individual dockets and will allow CEOG utilities to more effectively plan for implementation of similar changes. Please note that the approval of the report and all NRC review fees associated with the Entergy Operations lead plant submittal (including the review of CE NPSD-951) are to be applied to the Waterford 3 docket. Questions which regard the lead plant submittal should be addressed to the licensee (Entergy Operations).

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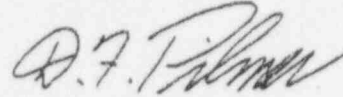
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If you have any questions, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. F. Pilmer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "D. F." and the last name "Pilmer" clearly distinguishable.

D. F. Pilmer, Chairman
Combustion Engineering Owners Group

Attachments

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