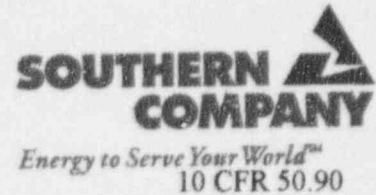


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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant  
Clarification Of Request For Technical Specification Changes  
Elimination of Containment Spray Additive System

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In a November 15, 1996 letter to the NRC, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) proposed to amend the Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP) Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications, Appendix A to Operating Licenses NPF-2 and NPF-8. The amendment would result in the deletion of containment systems specification 3.6.2.2, "Spray Additive System."

In the SNC November 15, 1996 letter to the NRC, the last paragraph on page E1-2 of the Safety Assessment states the following:

The components associated with the spray additive system are being either spared in place or removed. The blind flanges installed in the eductor lines will meet ASME Section III Class 3 requirements. The containment spray piping will continue to meet the plant seismic and ASME Section III Class 3 requirements.

This information is also included in the fourth paragraph on page 2 of the NRC's Safety Evaluation provided in the NRC February 3, 1997 letter to SNC.

The paragraph should have stated that the blind flanges and containment spray system piping will meet ASME Section III Class 2 requirements vice meeting ASME Section III Class 3 requirements. The fact that the blind flanges at FNP are being installed in ASME Section Class 2 containment spray piping and not Class 3 piping was not recognized in the preparation of the FNP NRC submittal. The Enclosure provides a drawing that shows the location of the blind flanges being installed.

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The following items provided in the SNC November 15, 1996 letter to the NRC remain valid: (1) the safety assessment for the proposed changes (except for the ASME Section III Class 2 vice ASME Section III Class 3 issue as changed by this letter), (2) the basis for a determination that the proposed changes do not involve a significant hazards consideration pursuant to 10 CFR 50.92, (3) the proposed changes to the Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications pages, and (4) the determination that the proposed changes will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment. A copy of this letter has been sent to Dr. D. E. Williams, the Alabama State Designee, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b)(i).

Mr. D. N. Morey states that he is a vice president of Southern Nuclear Operating Company, and is authorized to execute this oath on behalf of Southern Nuclear Operating Company and that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the facts set forth in this letter and enclosures are true.

Respectfully submitted,

SOUTHERN NUCLEAR OPERATING COMPANY

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Dave Morey

THIS 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF April, 1997

Carol Louise Taylor  
Notary Public

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Enclosure: Proposed Drawing Of Cutting And Capping In Class 2 Piping

cc: Mr. L. A. Reyes, Region II Administrator  
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**ENCLOSURE**

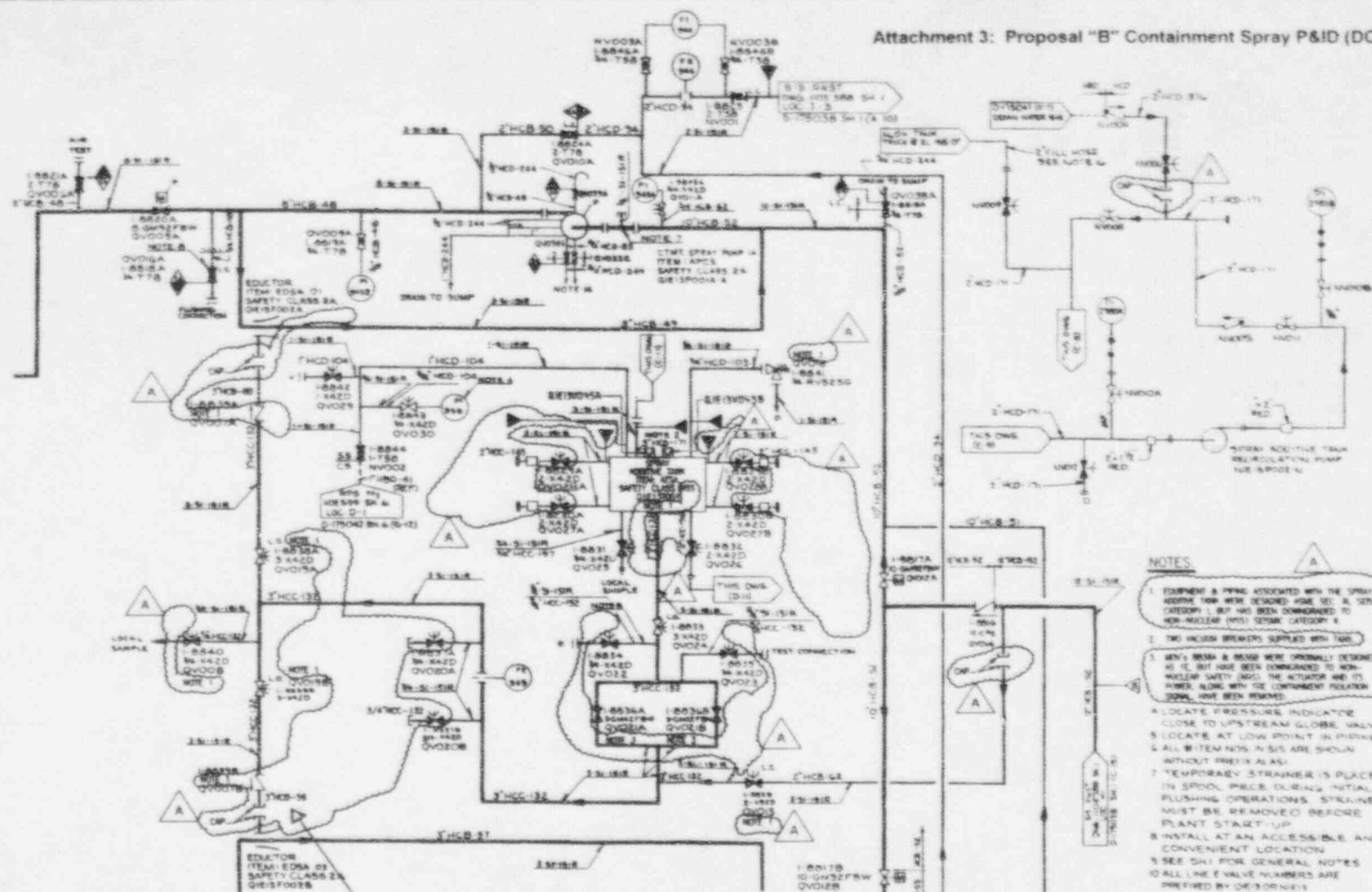
**PROPOSED DRAWING OF CUTTING AND CAPPING IN CLASS 2 PIPING**

Drafted by RLB	Designed by E.P. DAVIDSON
Ref. Drawing D-175038 SH.3	Rev 15

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## PROPOSED

Attachment 3: Proposal "B" Containment Spray P&amp;ID (DCP 95-1-8931)



## NOTES

1. EQUIPMENT & PIPING ASSOCIATED WITH THE SPRAY ADDITIVE TANK WERE DESIGNED AS A CATEGORY 1, BUT HAS BEEN DOWNGRADED TO NON-NUCLEAR (NNS) CATEGORY 2.
2. TWO VALVE BREAKERS SUPPLIED WITH TANK.
3. NEW'S DESIGN & BRASS WERE ORIGINALLY DESIGNED AS 1E, BUT HAVE BEEN DOWNGRADED TO NON-NUCLEAR SAFETY (NNS) THE ACTUATOR AND ITS POWER, ALONG WITH THE CONTAINMENT RELATION DOWNS, HAVE BEEN REMOVED.
4. LOCATE PRESSURE INDICATOR CLOSE TO UPSTREAM GLOBE VALVE.
5. LOCATE AT LOW POINT IN PIPING.
6. ALL WITEN NDS IN SIS ARE SHOWN WITHOUT PREFIX ALAS.
7. TEMPORARY STRAINER IS PLACED IN SPOOL PIECE DURING INITIAL FLUSHING OPERATIONS. STRAINER MUST BE REMOVED BEFORE PLANT START-UP.
8. INSTALL AT AN ACCESSIBLE AND CONVENIENT LOCATION.
9. SEE SH.1 FOR GENERAL NOTES.
10. ALL LINE & VALVE NUMBERS ARE PREFIXED BY DESIGNATION.

HCB DESIGNATES 150# STAINLESS STEEL CLASS 2