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Director, Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Mr. L. S. Rubenstein

Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant - Units 1 and 2
Proposed Technical Specification Change

Gentlemen:

A review of the Draft Revision 5 to the Westinghouse Standard Technical Specifications identified a clarification of what methods are acceptable in performing the Quadrant Power Tilt Ratio (QPTR) surveillance requirements when an excore detector channel is inoperable. The existing Farley Nuclear Plant Technical Specification 4.2.4.2 and Action 2.d of Table 3.3-1 only allow the use of the symmetric thimble locations, while the Revision 5 Standard Technical Specification and the Farley Movable Incore Detector System Bases 3/4.3.3.2 permit a full core flux map or symmetric incore thimbles. Alabama Power Company hereby proposes to modify the Farley Technical Specification 4.2.4.2 and Action 2.d of Table 3.3-1 to allow a full core flux map for verifying the indicated QPTR when one excore power range detector channel is inoperable. It is requested that this proposed Technical Specification change be approved by March 31, 1986.

Since the proposed Technical Specification change includes no changes which would significantly increase the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated, no changes which create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accidents previously evaluated and no changes which would involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety, it is considered by Alabama Power Company to not involve a significant hazards consideration as defined in 10CFR50.92. This conclusion is based upon the change clarifying the surveillance requirement for QPTR to make it consistent with the Standard Technical Specifications and that a full core flux map provides a more accurate representation of core performance than a map developed from the symmetric thimble locations.

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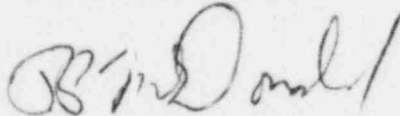
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Alabama Power Company's Plant Operation Review Committee has reviewed this proposed change and the Nuclear Operations Review Board will review this proposed change at a future meeting.

Pursuant to 10CFR170.21, the required License Amendment Application Fee of \$150.00 is enclosed. In accordance with 10CFR50.90, three signed originals and forty additional copies of this proposed change are enclosed. A copy of this proposed change has also been sent to Mr. Dan Turner, the Alabama State Designee, in accordance with 10CFR50.91(b)(1).

If you have any questions, please advise.

Yours very truly,



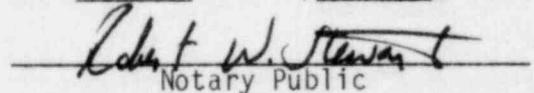
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Attachments

cc: Mr. L. B. Long
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Mr. E. A. Reeves
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Mr. Dan Turner

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

THIS 27th DAY OF November 1985


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10/27/89