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Dear Sir:

MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT
HOPE CREEK GENERATION STATION UNIT 1
DOCKET NO. 50-354

In compliance with Section 6.9, Reporting Requirements for the Hope Creek Technical Specifications, the operating statistics for **May 1997** are being forwarded to you with the summary of changes, tests, and experiments that were implemented during **April 1997** pursuant to the requirements of 10CFR50.59(b). Refueling information for Hope Creek Generating Station is also provided. There is one Technical Specification change required related to refueling. There are also Technical Specification changes that are required to resolve licensing basis issues prior to the end of Hope Creek Generating Station's next refueling outage, which is currently scheduled to end on November 12, 1997.

Sincerely yours,

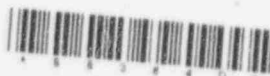
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