

March 4, 1997

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SUBJECT: CONFIRMATORY ACTION LETTER

Dear Mr. Anderson:

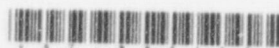
This refers to the results of NRC inspections of Florida Power Corporation's (FPC) implementation of the Engineering program at Crystal River Unit 3 as discussed in a predecisional enforcement conference conducted in the Region II office on January 24, 1997 and a management meeting conducted at the Crystal River site on February 12, 1997. At these meetings, FPC described its corrective actions taken and planned to address deficiencies in the engineering program and to assure FPC's readiness to restart Crystal River Unit 3. These actions included: (1) completion of a comprehensive restructuring of management; (2) completion of indepth reviews and corrective actions to ensure compliance with the licensing and design bases of the facility; and (3) implementation of broad and indepth engineering program changes. The specific inspection findings were formally transmitted to FPC by letters dated November 4, 1996 and January 7, 1997.

Pursuant to a telephone conversation between you and Mr. Johns P. Jaudon, Director, Division of Reactor Safety, on March 4, 1997, it is our understanding that FPC will take the following actions before restart of Crystal River Unit 3:

- 1) Resolve the eight design issues delineated in FPC's letter of October 28, 1996;
- 2) Conduct extent of condition reviews to assure that safety-related systems are in compliance with the licensing and design bases of the facility;
- 3) Satisfactorily resolve any additional safety or licensing questions including those identified as a result of system and engineering reviews in item 2) above;
- 4) Meet with the NRC to discuss FPC's acceptance criteria for and achievement of satisfactory progress on the actions described in FPC's Management Corrective Action Plan (MCAP), Phase II, forwarded by FPC's letter of November 12, 1996;
- 5) Obtain concurrence in writing from the NRC Region II Regional Administrator prior to entering Mode 2.

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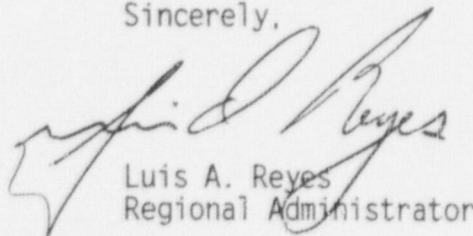
Pursuant to Section 182 of the Atomic Energy Act, 42 U.S.C. 2232, you are required to:

- 1) Notify me immediately, and provide subsequent written notification, if your understanding differs from that set forth above;
- 2) Notify me if for any reason you cannot complete the actions and advise me in writing, prior to the change or deviation, if you intend to change, deviate from or not complete the plans described above; and
- 3) Notify me in writing when you have completed the actions addressed in this Confirmatory Action Letter.

Issuance of this Confirmatory Action Letter does not preclude issuance of an order formalizing the above commitments or requiring other actions on the part of the licensee; nor does it preclude the NRC from taking enforcement action for violations of NRC requirements that may have prompted the issuance of this letter. In addition, failure to take the actions addressed in this Confirmatory Action Letter may result in enforcement action.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Sincerely,



Luis A. Reyes
Regional Administrator

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