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Attention: Stewart N. Bailey
Project Manager, Section 2, Project Directorate III

Subject: Submittal of the Accepted Version of Topical Report BAW-2241P-A, "Fluence and Uncertainty Methodologies".

Gentlemen:

Enclosed are fifteen copies of topical report BAW-2241P-A and twelve copies of BAW-2241NP-A. These reports will serve as the respective proprietary and non-proprietary versions, of the "Fluence and Uncertainty Methodologies" topical, which was recently reviewed and found to be acceptable by the NRC staff. Framatome Technologies, Inc. (FTI) will use the methodologies described in the topical to perform fluence evaluations on the reactors built by Babcock & Wilcox (a McDermott company).

A copy of the NRC acceptance letter, and accompanying safety, and technical evaluations, are included in the first - nineteen pages of the topical (Pages 1 through 19). The acceptance letter notes three conditions for using the methodologies. It also notes that the responses to the NRC's requests for additional information (RAI) should become part of the topical. The responses to the RAIs are included as *Appendix D*. This appendix also includes the explanations of issues raised during the August fifth and sixth, 1998 meeting between the NRC and their contractor, the B & W Owners, and FTI.

FTI requested that BAW-2241P be withheld from public disclosure, and provided an affidavit supporting that request with the May 14, 1997 letter submitting the topical report for NRC review. The accepted version of BAW-2241P-A continues to be proprietary. FTI is not submitting another affidavit defending the proprietary nature of the report. It is requested that the NRC continue to treat BAW-2241P-A as proprietary for the reasons noted in the original submittal.

Respectfully,

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