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SUBJECT: CORRECTION TO THE COVER LETTER FOR ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT
NO. 61 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DRP-18, R. E. GINNA
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT (TAC NOS. M89516, M89559, M92320, M92963,
M92964, M92965, M92966, M92967, M92968, M92969, M93579,
M93071, M93708 AND M93928)

Dear Dr. Mecredy:

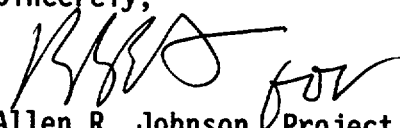
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In your resubmittal of the improved Standard Technical Specifications (STS) dated December 28, 1995, you requested an extension until startup from your next refueling outage (Cycle 26) scheduled to begin on April 1, 1996, for SR 3.6.6.17, SR 3.7.3.1, SR 3.3.2.7, SR 3.5.1.4, SR 3.5.4.2, and SR 3.5.2.7. These extended SRs had been reviewed and approved by the staff during the improved STS review process, but reference to this approval was inadvertently left out of the February 13, 1996, cover letter.

Four of the surveillance requirements to be deferred (SR 3.6.6.17, SR 3.7.3.1, SR 3.3.2.7, and SR 3.5.2.7) are new SRs which were not included in the existing TS. With respect to SRs 3.5.1.4 and 3.5.4.2, these SRs are more conservative with respect to boron concentration limits than the existing TS; however, the current limits continue to be valid for operations using the existing fuel before the plant is shutdown for refueling in April 1996, as indicated in the licensee's accident analyses. Accordingly, implementation of these SRs may be deferred for the current operating cycle.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

Sincerely,


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