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CALLAWAY PLANT
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY
WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR
ALTERNATIVE EXAMINATION NO. ISI-22 FOR
THE CALLAWAY PLANT INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM PLAN**

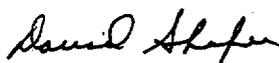
Reference: ULNRC-04379, Letter to NRC from ACPasswater,
dated February 5, 2001

10CFR50.55a, as amended by the Federal Register Notice 64 FR 51370 dated September 22, 1999 (Final Rule), requires implementation of Appendix VIII, "Performance Demonstration for Ultrasonic Examination Systems". In preparation to implement the Performance Demonstration Initiative (PDI) requirements for Callaway, the referenced ULNRC-04379 letter submitted two requests for Alternative Examinations that were developed. The requests for relief concern Alternative Examination No. ISI-21 and Alternative Examination No. ISI-22.

Our request concerning Alternative Examination No. ISI-21 remains as originally submitted in the referenced letter. However, AmerenUE is withdrawing the request for Alternative Examination No. ISI-22 which was submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i). ISI-22 was to address a generic issue concerning single-sided austenitic weld examinations as mandated by the implementation of Appendix VIII, "Performance Demonstration for Ultrasonic Examination Systems". Discussions with NRC indicate a preference that the issue is addressed on a case by case basis, rather than as a generic request for relief. Therefore, AmerenUE is withdrawing its request for Alternative Examination No. ISI-22.

If you should have any questions on the above or attached, please contact Dave Shafer at (314) 554-3104 or Dwyla Walker at (314) 554-2126.

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