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Response to RAI Request Number 6 for Topical Report EMF-2361(P) Revision 0, EXEM BWR-2000 ECCS Evaluation Model, (TAC NO. MB0574)

Ref.: 1. Letter, N. Kalyanam (NRC) to J. F. Mallay (FRA-ANP), "Request for Additional Information - Framatome ANP Richland Inc., Topical Report EMF-2361(P) Revision 0, EXEM BWR-2000 ECCS Evaluation Model, (TAC NO. MB0574)," March 5, 2001.

Ref.: 2. Letter, James F. Mallay (FRA-ANP) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "NRC Review of EMF-2361(P) Revision 0, EXEM BWR-2000 ECCS Evaluation Model, NRC:01:012, March 1, 2001.

In response to request number 6 in the letter from the NRC requesting additional information concerning our topical report on EXEM BWR-2000 (see Reference 1), Framatome ANP Richland, Inc. (FRA-ANP) sent a CD containing selected computer codes and detailed instructions for their use (see Reference 2). We determined that the executable form of one of the codes, RELAX, was dynamically linked and therefore relied on the system on which it is installed. Specifically, the compiler options do not statically link the C subroutines that are used in the loading sequence.

FRA-ANP has compiled RELAX in a static form, and this version is contained in the enclosed CD. This newly-compiled version has been tested on our computer hardware, and the results indicate that if this version is run on the NRC's hardware, any differences should be due to hardware only when comparing results to those contained in our topical report on EXEM BWR-2000. We ask that the NRC use this version in making comparisons and conducting sensitivity studies. It is still possible, of course, that minor numerical differences could trip certain switches in the code (associated with Appendix K rules) that would then result in different results.

Framatome ANP Richland, Inc. considers the enclosed CD to be proprietary. As required by 10 CFR 2.790(b), an affidavit is enclosed to support withholding this information from public disclosure.

Framatome ANP Richland, Inc.

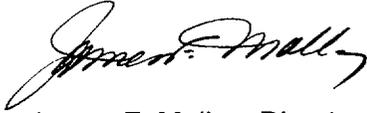
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Please call Scott Franz (509-375-8678) or me if you have difficulty in applying this version of the computer code.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James F. Mallay". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J".

James F. Mallay, Director
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Enclosure

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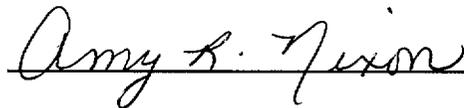
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