



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

December 18, 1985

Docket No. 50-219

Mr. P. B. Fiedler
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Dear Mr. Fiedler:

SUBJECT: 10 CFR 50.72 AND 50.73 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Re: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

In Amendment No. 84, Reporting Requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.72 and 50.73, dated May 30, 1985, the staff requested that you propose the following changes to Section 6.0 of the Appendix A Technical Specifications (TS): (1) add the review of all Reportable Events to the responsibilities of the Independent Onsite Safety Review Group (IOSRG) and the vice presidents of each division within GPU Nuclear (the licensee), (2) add the requirement that copies of the reports of each Reportable Event shall be submitted to the IOSRG and (3) revise the requirements on Record Retention to state "All Reportable Events." The basis for the staff's request was given in the enclosed Safety Evaluation for the authorized changes to the TS.

By your letter of October 21, 1985, you have addressed the three items of our request listed above. Your letter provided justification for not revising the TS to add items (1) and (2) above and stated that a future Technical Specification Change Request (TSCR) will be submitted to incorporate item (3) above into the TS.

You stated that the IOSRG should not be included into the required review of License Event Reports (LER) because the IOSRG was created to perform a selective independent overview function for matters involving safe operation of Oyster Creek. The addition of the IOSRG to the in-line review of LERs would add an additional administrative load which may jeopardize the selection of other subjects they deem necessary to review. Your intent is to maintain the selectiveness and independence of the IOSRG overview function. The IOSRG is on distribution for all LERs submitted to the NRC from Oyster Creek and may, by TS 6.5.4.3(5), review any and all the LERs to whatever extent the Manager-Nuclear Safety deems appropriate.

You stated that it is not necessary to add the review of all Reportable Events to the responsibilities of the vice presidents of each division within GPU Nuclear because existing Oyster Creek TS and/or the resultant implementing procedures require LERs to be reviewed by:


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1. A Responsible Technical Reviewer who is a knowledgeable individual other than the individual(s)/group which performed the investigation; and
2. A qualified Independent Safety Reviewer who does not have direct responsibility for the performance of the activities under review, and that the TS also require that:
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 - b. Copies of all such reports shall be submitted to the functionally cognizant division Vice President and the Vice President and Director Oyster Creek.

Based on our review of your letter of October 21, 1985, we agree with your conclusion that items (1) and (2) of our letter of May 30, 1985, do not need to be incorporated into the TS. We request that you submit your future TSCR on item (3) soon and, until then, follow the requirement as if it were in the TS.

Sincerely,

for 
John A. Zwolinski, Director
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