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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Document Control Desk Washington, DC Docket No. 50-293 License No. DPR-35

Subject: Special Report - Inoperable Reactor Building Vent High Range Radiation Monitor

Dear Sir:

This report is submitted in accordance with Pilgrim Station's Technical Specification Table 3.2.F.

Technical Specification Table 3.2.F requires the submittal of a special report if the Reactor Building Vent radiation monitor, RI/RR-1001-609, becomes inoperable and is not restored to operable status within 7 days. The enclosure describes the cause of the inoperability, the action taken, and the plans and schedule for restoring the monitor to operable status.

The Reactor Building Vent radiation monitor is scheduled for repair prior to startup from the refueling outage.

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Special Report

ENCLOSURE

Cause of Inoperability

The Reactor Building Vent radiation monitor was removed from service and, therefore, became inoperable on April 21, 2001, the beginning of the 2001 refueling outage. The monitor was removed from service for a calibration of the monitor as required by Technical Specification 4.2.F/Table 4.2.F.

After the calibration, an instrument check of the radiation monitor was conducted. The instrument check identified that a trip of the monitor did not occur as expected when the instrument range switch was placed in the 1.0E+0 R/hr position. A maintenance work document was written to correct the problem.

Actions Taken

The instrument has been calibrated and actions initiated to repair the problem identified during the instrument check.

Plans and Schedule to Restore the Instrument to Operable Status

Repair of the Reactor Building Vent high range radiation monitor is scheduled for completion prior to startup from the refueling outage.