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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**Subject: Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1
Docket No. 50-334, License No. DPR-66
License Amendment Request No. 276**

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.90, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) requested an amendment to the above license in the form of changes to the Technical Specifications. The request was submitted by FENOC letter L-00-131, dated November 8, 2000 and supplemented by letter L-01-015, dated February 6, 2001. The November 8, 2000 letter transmitted License Amendment Request (LAR) Nos. 276 and 157, for Beaver Valley Power Station (BVPS) Units 1 and 2, respectively. This letter requests NRC approval of the changes contained in BVPS Unit 1 LAR No. 276 to be issued separately from the changes contained in BVPS Unit 2 LAR No. 157. Approval of BVPS Unit 1 LAR No. 276 is being requested to correct a potentially non-conservative condition in BVPS Unit 1 Technical Specification 3/4.4.1.6, "Reactor Coolant Pump Startup," and to remove the administrative controls imposed as interim measures to address this potentially non-conservative condition.

The changes proposed by LAR No. 276 will delete Technical Specification 3/4.4.1.6, "Reactor Coolant Pump Startup," from the BVPS Unit 1 Technical Specifications. This is accomplished by moving the secondary side water temperature to cold leg temperature difference Reactor Coolant Pump (RCP) start requirement to an existing Reactor Coolant System (RCS) Technical Specification and deleting the pressurizer level requirement from Technical Specification 3/4.4.1.6. The RCS Technical Specification affected is Technical Specification 3/4.4.1.3, "Reactor Coolant System - Shutdown." The changes being sought are contained in Attachment A-1 of L-00-131 and affect Technical Specifications 3/4.4.1.3 and 3/4.4.1.6 and their Bases, and the Bases to Technical Specification 3/4.4.9.3, "Overpressure Protection Systems."

NRC review and approval of the changes proposed by BVPS Unit 2 LAR No. 157 has been delayed due to a conflict between the Mode Applicability of BVPS Unit 2 Technical Specification 3/4.4.9.3, "Overpressure Protection Systems," and the enable temperature of the Unit 2 Overpressure Protection System. FENOC will provide additional information to resolve this conflict. After this additional information is provided, NRC review and approval of BVPS Unit 2 LAR No. 157 can proceed.

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If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Thomas S. Cosgrove, Manager, Regulatory Affairs at 724-682-5203.

Sincerely,

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