

June 1, 1997

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SUBJECT: SALEM NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. M96926 AND M96927)

Dear Mr. Eliason:

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment Nos. 196 and 179 to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-70 and DPR-75 for the Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2. These amendments consist of changes to the Technical Specifications (TSs) in response to your application dated October 25, 1996, as supplemented December 11, 1996, January 28, March 27, April 24, June 3, and June 12, 1997.

These amendments change Technical Specification Table 3.3-5, "Engineered Safety Features Response Time," to extend the Containment Fan Cooler Unit response time from less than or equal to 45 seconds to less than or equal to 60 seconds.

A copy of our safety evaluation is also enclosed. Notice of Issuance will be published in the Federal Register.

Sincerely,

/s/

Leonard N. Olshan, Senior Project Manager
Project Directorate I-2
Division of Reactor Projects - I/II
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-272/311

Enclosures: 1. Amendment No. 196 to
License No. DPR-70
2. Amendment No. 179 to
License No. DPR-75
3. Safety Evaluation
4. Notice of Issuance

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