

September 10, 1986

Docket No. 50-348

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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL EXEMPTIONS FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR 50
APPENDIX R FOR THE JOSEPH M. FARLEY NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT NO. 1

By letter dated May 31, 1985, you advised that you conducted a second review of the fire areas in Unit No. 1. The review was made in light of IE Notice 84-09 and Generic Letter 83-33. As a result you requested certain technical and scheduler exemptions pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12(a). The exemption requests are included in a document entitled "J. M. Farley Nuclear Plant Unit 1, 10 CFR 50 Appendix R Fire Hazards Analysis Reevaluation: May 1985."

We have completed our review of your exemption requests. Our letter dated August 28, 1985 discussed action on your scheduler requests. By letters dated October 18, 1985, and July 16, 1986, you provided additional justifications and special circumstances. These justifications and special circumstances have been evaluated. Therefore, we grant the twenty-seven technical exemptions as specifically identified in the enclosed safety evaluation. These specifically identified exemptions which we grant, in conjunction with your proposed modifications, will provide a level of safety equivalent to the technical requirements of Section III.G of Appendix R to 10 CFR 50 in the specific fire areas identified.

A copy of the notice of exemption is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Novak, Acting Director
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Enclosures:

- 1. Notice of Exemption
- 2. Safety Evaluation

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