

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

March 11, 1992

Docket Nos. 50-348 and 50-364 See Rpt.

Mr. W. G. Hairston, III
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Dear Mr. Hairston:

SUBJECT:

ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 92 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-2 AND AMENDMENT NO. 85 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-8 REGARDING THE USE OF VANTAGE-5 FUEL IN BOTH UNITS AND ALLOWING REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF THE RESISTANCE TEMPERATURE DETECTOR BYPASS MANIFOLD SYSTEM IN UNIT 2 - JOSEPH M. FARLEY NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. M81025 AND M81026)

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 92 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-2 and Amendment No. 85 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-8 for the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. The amendments change the Technical Specifications in response to your submittal dated July 15, 1991, as supplemented September 10, 1991, and January 10, 1992.

The amendments change the Technical Specifications to (1) allow the use of Vantage-5 fuel assemblies in both units, and (2) allow the removal of the resistance temperature detector (RTD) bypass manifold system in Unit 2 and its replacement with fast response RTDs in the reactor coolant hot and cold leg piping.

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A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's bi-weekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

original signed by

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Stephen T. Hoffman, Project Manager Project Directorate II-1 Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. to NPF-2 Amendment No. to NPF-8

Safety Evaluation

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