

BWRVIP BWR Vessel & Internals Project _____ 2001-392

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Attention: C.E. Carpenter

Subject: BWRVIP Response to Staff Safety Evaluation of BWRVIP-44 (Reference Project 704)

Reference 1: Letter from Jack R. Strosnider (NRC) to Carl Terry (BWRVIP Chairman), "Safety Evaluation of the BWRVIP Vessel and Internals Project, Underwater Weld Repair of Nickel Alloy Reactor Vessel Internals (BWRVIP-44)," EPRI Report TR-108708, September, 1997 (TAC NO. M99898)." Letter dated June 9, 1999.

Enclosed are 10 copies of the BWRVIP response to the NRC Safety Evaluation (SE) of the BWRVIP report "BWR Vessel and Internals Project, Underwater Weld Repair of Nickel Alloy Reactor Vessel Internals (BWRVIP-44)," transmitted by the Reference 1 NRC letter. The enclosed response repeats each of the individual items in the NRC SE, followed by the BWRVIP response to that item.

As indicated in the referenced letter, the NRC staff has found the subject report to be proprietary in nature. Therefore, the enclosed information is also proprietary and should be withheld from public disclosure.

If you have any questions on this subject, please contact Bruce McLeod (BWRVIP Repair Focus Group Chairman) at 205.992.7446.

Sincerely,



for Vaughn Wagoner
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