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Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience our error may have caused.

Sincerely,

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
DENIAL OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
AND OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY
DOCKET NOS. 50-338 AND 50-339

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The proposed amendments would have reduced the minimum number of thimbles required for taking flux maps with the incore movable detector system from 75% to 50%. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of these amendments was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on August 14, 1985 (50 FR 32803). The licensee's application for the amendments was dated April 1, 1985.

The request was found unacceptable due to the fact that the ability to detect anomalous conditions in the core would be seriously degraded. Technical Specification changes to reduce the number of thimbles required for taking flux maps with the incore movable detector system to 50% might result in a lack of incentive to keep the system operating as close to 100% as possible, and could result in an acceptably degraded ability to detect anomalous conditions in the core. Therefore, the proposed change to the Technical Specifications is denied.

The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of this request by letters dated January 9, 1987, and March 2, 1987.

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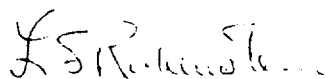
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A copy of any petition should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel - Bethesda, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, and to Mr. Michael W. Maupin, Esq., Hunton and Williams, Post Office Box 1535, Richmond, Virginia 23213.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendments dated April 1, 1985, and (2) the Commission's letters to Virginia Electric and Power Company dated January 9, 1987, and March 2, 1987. which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Board of Supervisors Office, Louisa County Courthouse, Louisa Virginia 23093, and the Alderman Library, Manuscripts Department, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901. Copies of item (2) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of PWR Licensing-A.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 2nd day of March, 1987.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


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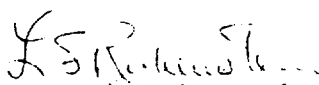
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