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Please contact me on (301) 415-1392 if you have any questions regarding this RAI.

Sincerely,

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PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2
REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
ITS SECTIONS 1.0, 3.0 AND 4.0

Section 1.0

- 1) Markup of CTS on page 32 of 40 is not included in ITS 1.4. Provide clarification.
- 2) Markup of CTS on page 38 of 40 contains an editorial error. Provide correction.

Section 2.0

ITS B2.1.2 SAFETY LIMIT VIOLATIONS
STS B2.1.2 SAFETY LIMIT VIOLATIONS
JFD CL2.0-51

The Bases section B2.1.2 discussion on Safety Limit Violations, adds a sentence to the paragraph that is not in the STS, on the 1 hour Completion Time for restoring compliance in MODES 1 and 2. The sentence states that, "If the Completion Time is exceeded, actions shall continue in order to restore compliance with the SL and bring the plant to MODE 3."

Comment: While the statement is true, it is not necessary to be explicitly stated. The statement is also true in many other places throughout the Technical Specifications (TSs) where it is not stated. For example, it is also true for restoring compliance with Safety Limit 2.1.1 and Safety Limit 2.1.2 in MODES 3, 4, and 5, and it is not stated in either of these Bases sections. By stating the obvious in one section and not in another where it applies, raises the questions why it doesn't appear in the latter section.

Section 3.0

- 1) Markup of WOG STS on page B 3.0-17 is not consistent with TSTF-52 Rev. 3. Insert C of TSTF-52 has another sentence as: "This program establishes testing requirements and frequencies in accordance with the requirements of regulations." Why this is not included?

Is TP3.0-54 on page B 3.0-17 a typo for TA3.0-54? Provide clarification

Section 4.0.

No RAls for Design Features Section.

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