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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555

Dear Sir:

Subject:

Oyster Creek Generating Station

Docket No. 50-219

Technical Specification Change Request 282

Proposed Change to the Oyster Creek Licensing Basis Regarding Boraflex

Degradation

AmerGen Energy submitted the proposed change to the Oyster Creek Technical Licensing Basis by letter to the NRC dated May 24, 2001. The letter provides the results of a reevaluation of the criticality analysis for the Oyster Creek spent fuel pool taking into account degradation in Boraflex. The issue of Boraflex degradation is described in NRC Generic Letter 96-04.

Based on our review of the information submitted by AmerGen and followup conversations with AmerGen Licensing and Reactor Engineering staff, we have no comments.

If you need further information, please contact Rich Pinney at (609) 984-7558.

Sincerely,

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