

# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

May 3, 1998

Mr. Walter G. MacFarland IV Senior Vice President Clinton Power Station P.0. Box 678 Mail Code V275 Clinton, IL 61727

SUBJECT: CONSENT TO CONFIRMATORY ORDER MODIFYING LICENSE FOR THE CLINTON POWER STATION, UNIT 1 (TAC NO. M85535)

Dear Mr. MacFarland:

By letter dated March 30, 1998, you informed us of your revised schedule commitment for implementing Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barrier corrective actions at Clinton Power Station. Due to NRC staff concerns that Thermo-Lag corrective actions have not been completed at Clinton to date and to preclude any schedule slippage, we plan to modify the Clinton license by order to make this commitment a requirement. If Illinois Power consents, we plan to incorporate the commitment into a Confirmatory Order Modifying License (Order) as follows:

Illinois Power (IP) shall complete final implementation of Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barrier corrective actions at Clinton Power Station, described in the IP submittals to the NRC dated April 16, 1993, February 9, and December 16, 1994, March 16, March 28, and November 3, 1995, October 9, 1996, March 31, June 19, and July 24, 1997, and March 30, 1998, during the current outage for outage-related work and by December 31, 1998, for non-outage work.

By consenting to issuance of the Order confirming the above commitment, IP is waiving its right to request a hearing on all or any part of the Order. You must sign, as noted on the enclosure letter, that you agree to such a commitment on behalf of IP and return the enclosure within 10 business days of the date of this letter to Mr. Samuel J. Collins, Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville, MD 20852-2738. After receiving your written consent, the NRC will issue the aforementioned Order.

Questions concerning this letter should be addressed to the NRC Project Manager, Jon B. Hopkins, 301-415-3027.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Origina: 1 signed by:

Elinor G. Adensam, Acting Director Division of Reactor Projects III/IV Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Clinton Power Station, Unit 1

Illinois Department of Nuclear Safety Office of Nuclear Facility Safety 1035 Outer Park Drive Springfield, IL 62704 Walter G. MacFarland, IV, Senior Vice President, Illinois Power, Clinton Power Station, hereby agrees on behalf of Illinois Power that Illinois Power will comply with the following commitment:

Illinois Power (IP) shall complete final implementation of Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barrier corrective actions at Clinton Power Station, described in the IP submittals to the NRC dated April 16, 1993, February 9, and December 16, 1994, March 16, March 28, and November 3, 1995, October 9, 1996, March 31, June 19, and July 24, 1997, and March 30, 1998, during the current outage for outage-related work and by December 31, 1998, for non-outage work.

Illinois Power also agrees to incorporating this commitment into a Confirmatory Order Modifying License (Order) that will be effective immediately upon issuance. I recognize that by signing below, Illinois Power consents to the issuance of an immediately effective Order incorporating the above commitment and, by doing so, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.202(a)(3), Illinois Power will not have a right to request a hearing on all or any part of this Order.

Walter G. MacFarland IV	Date
Senior Vice President Illinois Power	