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Mr. William F. Conway
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Dear Mr. Conway:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS FOR THE PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION
UNIT NO. 1 (TAC NO. M80563), UNIT NO. 2 (TAC NO. M80564) AND UNIT
NO. 3 (TAC NO. M80565)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 55 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-41, Amendment No. 42 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-51, and Amendment No. 28 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-74 for the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3 respectively. The amendments consist of changes to the Technical Specifications in response to your application dated May 17, 1991.

These amendments clarify the basis and applicability of Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.4.8.1 during the time the reactor vessel head is fully detensioned and also add maximum allowable heatup and cooldown rate figures to supplement the existing pressure/temperature limit figures. These amendments will allow normal outage activities to be conducted which require the temperature of the reactor coolant system (RCS) to be below 93°F, currently prohibited within Technical Specification Table 3.4-3, "Maximum Allowable Heatup and Cooldown Rates."

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. A notice of issuance will be included in the Commission's next regular biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Catherine M. Thompson, Project Manager
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Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V
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