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Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant
Revision to
Request to Revise Technical Specifications:
Quarterly Surveillance Extension

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By letter dated September 20, 2001, Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) submitted to the NRC proposed Technical Specifications (TS) changes that extend quarterly surveillance frequencies to semi-annual; i.e., from 92 days to 184 days. By letter dated January 24, 2002, SNC provided responses to NRC review requests and committed to provide revisions to the September 20, 2001, submittal, "Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Request to Revise Technical Specifications: Quarterly Surveillance Extension." By letter dated April 25, 2002, SNC provided revisions to the original surveillance extension request; i.e., TS surveillance frequencies of 92 days, initially proposed to be extended to semi-annual, were changed to "92 days on a STAGGERED TEST BASIS."

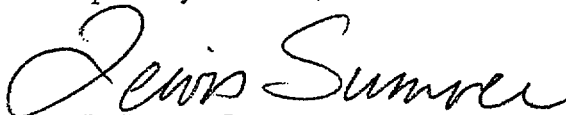
As a result of the NRC review of the April 25, 2002 submittal, it has been determined that a new TS definition is required to accurately designate the requested testing frequency. This letter provides the new TS definition and supporting documentation as well as revisions to the original surveillance extension request. The TS existing surveillance frequencies of 92 days, initially proposed to be extended to semi-annual, have been changed to "92 days on an ALTERNATE TEST BASIS."

Enclosures 1 through 10 of the September 20, 2001, submittal were administratively revised to reflect the requested TS change; however, the basis justification remains valid. Revised Enclosures 1 through 10 of this letter replace in full the corresponding enclosures contained in Volumes 1 and 2 of the September 20, 2001, submittal.

Attachment 1 provides responses to recent NRC review requests as a result of April 25, 2002 submittal.

Should you have any questions in this regard, please contact this office.

Respectfully submitted,


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Attachment: Technical Specifications Quarterly Surveillance Extension Request

- Enclosures:
1. Methodology Summary and Compliance with Generic Letter 91-04, Revised 04/02
 2. Drift Study Cross Reference, Revised 04/02
 3. Instrument Drift Analysis Methodology - Drift Analysis Design Guide, Revised 04/02
 4. Bases for Change Request for Extended Intervals, Revised 04/02
 5. Bases for Change Request for Reduced Intervals, Revised 04/02
 6. 10 CFR 50.92 Evaluation and Environmental Assessment, Revised 04/02
 7. Proposed Technical Specifications Pages and Insertion Instructions, Revised 04/02
 8. Proposed Marked-Up Technical Specifications Pages, Revised 04/02
 9. Proposed Bases Pages and Insertion Instructions, Revised 04/02
 10. Proposed Marked-Up Bases Pages, Revised 04/02

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