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H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT, UNIT NO. 2
DOCKET NO. 50-261/LICENSE NO. DPR-23

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL CONDITION FOR THE AMENDMENT REQUEST
TO INCREASE AUTHORIZED REACTOR POWER LEVEL (TAC NO. MB5106)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By letter dated May 16, 2002, Carolina Power and Light (CP&L) Company submitted a request for an amendment to the Technical Specifications (TS) to increase the authorized reactor power level for the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant (HBRSEP), Unit No. 2. A supplement to this license amendment request was submitted by letter dated August 12, 2002. In that supplement, it was stated that an evaluation had been completed that determined the current analysis of record for the listed radiological accidents supports operation at the uprated power level for approximately 95% of Cycle 22 (approximately 504 effective full power days [EFPD]).

This letter provides a proposed amendment to the Operating License that will identify the EFPD limitation as a license condition for HBRSEP, Unit No. 2. This restriction is being adopted in lieu of completion of another proposed license amendment pertaining to the full implementation of an alternative radiological source term (AST). The proposed license condition can be discontinued when the full AST license amendment is completed.

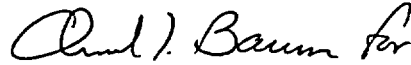
Attachment I provides an Affirmation as required by 10 CFR 50.30(b). Attachment II provides the proposed license condition associated with this license amendment request.

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b), CP&L is providing the State of South Carolina with a copy of this letter.

The additional information provided by this letter does not affect the basis or justification for the proposed TS change, including the evaluation of No Significant Hazards Consideration provided within the August 12, 2002, submittal.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. C. T. Baucom.

Sincerely,



B. L. Fletcher III
Manager – Site Support Services

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Attachments:

- I. Affirmation
 - II. Proposed Additional Condition for the Amendment Request to Increase Authorized Reactor Power Level
- c: Mr. L. A. Reyes, NRC, Region II
Mr. H. J. Porter, Director, Division of Radioactive Waste Management (SC)
Mr. R. M. Gandy, Division of Radioactive Waste Management (SC)
Mr. R. Subbaratnam, NRC, NRR
NRC Resident Inspector, HBRSEP
Attorney General (SC)

AFFIRMATION

The information contained in letter RNP-RA/02-0163 is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief; and the sources of my information are officers, employees, contractors, and agents of Carolina Power and Light Company. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on: OCT 15 2002


C. L. Burton
Director - Site Operations

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The following additional condition is proposed for inclusion in Appendix B to the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant (HBRSEP), Unit No. 2, Facility Operating License No. DPR-23:

Additional Condition

Operation of HBRSEP, Unit No. 2, is limited to 504 effective full power days during operating cycle number 22. This additional condition shall remain in effect until approval of a license amendment that removes this limitation.

Implementation Date

The amendment is effective immediately and shall be implemented within 30 days of the date of this amendment.