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Gentlemen:

Enclosed is the monthly operating report for Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3 for the month of March 2003 forwarded pursuant to Technical Specification 5.6.4 under the guidance of Regulatory Guide 10.1, Revision 4.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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**Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station  
Unit 2  
March 1 through March 31, 2003**

**Narrative Summary of Operating Experiences**

Unit 2 began the month of March at 100% power.

At 0644, on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Unit 2 decreased power to 99.7%, due to problems with the 3D Monicore and PMS computers. Following resets of these computers, the Unit returned to 100% power by 1818 on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

At 2300 on March 21<sup>st</sup>, Unit 2 reduced power to 92.7% for planned main turbine stop valve testing. The Unit returned to 100% power by 0616 on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Unit 2 ended the month of March at 100% power.

**Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station  
Unit 3  
March 1 through March 31, 2003**

**Narrative Summary of Operating Experiences**

Unit 3 began the month of March at 100% power.

At 2350 on March 29<sup>th</sup>, Unit 3 reduced power to 85%, for a planned rod pattern adjustment. The Unit returned to 100% power by 0250 on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Unit 3 ended the month of March at 100% power.

**UNIT 2 REFUELING INFORMATION**

1. Name of facility:

Peach Bottom Unit 2

2. Scheduled date for next refueling shutdown:

Reload 15 is scheduled for September 22, 2004.

3. Scheduled date for restart following refueling:

Restart following refueling forecast for October 7, 2004.

4. Will refueling or resumption of operation there after require a technical specification change or other license amendment?

Yes

If answer is yes, what, in general, will these be?

- a. Potential Cycle 16 Safety Limit MCPR Change.

5. Scheduled date(s) for submitting proposed licensing action and supporting information:

Nothing to report for this period.

6. Important licensing considerations associated with refueling, e.g., new or different fuel design or supplier, unreviewed design or performance analysis methods, significant changes in fuel design, new operating procedures:

Nothing to report this period.

**UNIT 2 REFUELING INFORMATION** (Continued)

7. The number of fuel assemblies (a) in the core, (b) in the spent fuel storage pool and (c) dry storage.

- (a) Core - 764 Fuel Assemblies
- (b) Fuel Pool - 2908 Fuel Assemblies, 58 Fuel Rods
- (c) Interim Spent Fuel Storage Installation - 680 fuel assemblies

8. The present licensed spent fuel pool storage capacity and the size of any increase in licensed storage capacity that has been requested or is planned, in number of fuel assemblies:

The spent fuel pool storage capacity has been relicensed for 3819 fuel assemblies.

9. The projected date of the last refueling that can be discharged to the spent fuel pool assuming the present capacity:

Based on projected dry cask storage schedules and reload batch sizes, a full core discharge will remain available throughout plant life.

**UNIT 3 REFUELING INFORMATION**

1. Name of facility:  

Peach Bottom Unit 3
2. Scheduled date for next refueling shutdown:  

Reload 14 is scheduled for September 21, 2003.
3. Scheduled date for restart following refueling  

Restart following refueling forecast for October 9, 2003.
4. Will refueling or resumption of operation thereafter require a technical specification change or other license amendment?  

Yes

If answer is yes, what, in general, will these be?

  - a.) Potential Cycle 15 Safety Limit MCPR Change.
5. Scheduled date(s) for submitting proposed licensing action and supporting information.  
  - a.) Submittal anticipated July 2003.
6. Important licensing considerations associated with refueling, e.g., new or different fuel design or supplier, unreviewed design or performance analysis methods, significant changes in fuel design, new operating procedures:  
  - (a) The 3R14 reload will consist of approximately 288 GE-14 bundles. This will be the second reload of GE-14 fuel.
7. The number of fuel assemblies (a) in the core, (b) in the spent fuel storage pool and (c) dry storage.  
  - (a) Core - 764 Fuel Assemblies
  - (b) Fuel Pool – 2997 Fuel Assemblies, 6 Fuel Rods
  - (c) Interim Spent Fuel Storage Installation – 340 fuel assemblies
8. The present licensed spent fuel pool storage capacity and the size of any increase in licensed storage capacity that has been requested or is planned, in number of fuel assemblies:  

The spent fuel pool storage capacity has been relicensed for 3819 fuel assemblies.

**UNIT 3 REFUELING INFORMATION** (Continued)

9. The projected date of the last refueling that can be discharged to the spent fuel pool assuming the present capacity:

Based on projected dry cask storage schedules and reload batch sizes, a full core discharge will remain available throughout plant life.

# OPERATING DATA REPORT

DOCKET NO. 50 - 277  
 DATE APRIL 1, 2003  
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 PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION  
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## OPERATING STATUS

1. UNIT NAME: .....	PEACH BOTTOM UNIT 2
2. REPORTING PERIOD: .....	MARCH, 2003
3. DESIGN ELECTRICAL RATING (NET MWE): .....	1143
4. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (GROSS MWE): .....	1182
5. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (NET MWE): .....	1116

	THIS MONTH	YR-TO-DATE	CUMULATIVE
6. NUMBER OF HOURS REACTOR WAS CRITICAL	744.0	2,160.0	183,425.5
7. REACTOR RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	0.0	0.0	0.0
8. HOURS GENERATOR ON-LINE	744.0	2,160.0	179,039.9
9. UNIT RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	0.0	0.0	0.0
10. NET ELECTRICAL ENERGY GENERATED (MWH)	854,160	2,417,523	176,303,289



**OPERATING DATA REPORT (CONTINUED)**

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	THIS MONTH	YR-TO-DATE	CUMULATIVE
11. UNIT SERVICE FACTOR	100.0 %	100.0 %	71.1 %
12. UNIT AVAILABILITY FACTOR	100.0 %	100.0 %	71.1 %
13. UNIT CAPACITY FACTOR (USING MDC NET)	102.9 %	100.3 %	64.9 %
14. UNIT CAPACITY FACTOR (USING DER NET)	100.4 %	97.9 %	63.8 %
15. UNIT FORCED OUTAGE RATE	.0 %	.0 %	9.6 %
16. SHUTDOWNS SCHEDULED OVER THE NEXT 6 MONTHS (TYPE, DATE AND DURATION OF EACH): (717) 456-4248			
17. IF SHUTDOWN AT THE END OF REPORT PERIOD, ESTIMATED DATE OF STARTUP: (717) 456-4248			
18. UNITS IN TEST STATUS (PRIOR TO COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS):	FORECAST	ACHIEVED	
INITIAL CRITICALITY		09/16/73	
INITIAL ELECTRICITY		02/18/74	
COMMERCIAL OPERATION		07/05/74	

# UNIT SHUTDOWNS

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REPORT MONTH    MARCH, 2003

NO.	DATE	TYPE (1)	DURATION (HOURS)	REASON (2)	METHOD OF SHUTTING DOWN REACTOR (3)	CAUSE AND CORRECTIVE ACTION TO PREVENT RECURRENCE
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TOTAL HOURS

(1)  
 F - FORCED  
 S - SCHEDULED

(2)  
 REASON  
 A - EQUIPMENT FAILURE (EXPLAIN)  
 B - MAINTENANCE OR TEST  
 C - REFUELING  
 D - REGULATORY RESTRICTION  
 E - OPERATOR TRAINING + LICENSE EXAMINATION  
 F - ADMINISTRATIVE  
 G - OPERATIONAL ERROR (EXPLAIN)  
 H - OTHER (EXPLAIN)

(3)  
 METHOD  
 1 - MANUAL  
 2 - MANUAL SCRAM  
 3 - AUTOMATIC SCRAM  
 4 - OTHER (EXPLAIN)

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## OPERATING STATUS

1. UNIT NAME: .....	PEACH BOTTOM UNIT 3
2. REPORTING PERIOD: .....	MARCH, 2003
3. DESIGN ELECTRICAL RATING (NET MWE): .....	1119
4. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (GROSS MWE): .....	1159
5. MAXIMUM DEPENDABLE CAPACITY (NET MWE): .....	1093

	THIS MONTH	YR-TO-DATE	CUMULATIVE
6. NUMBER OF HOURS REACTOR WAS CRITICAL	744.0	2,160.0	182,299.5
7. REACTOR RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	0.0	0.0	0.0
8. HOURS GENERATOR ON-LINE	744.0	2,160.0	178,393.8
9. UNIT RESERVE SHUTDOWN HOURS	0.0	0.0	0.0
10. NET ELECTRICAL ENERGY GENERATED (MWH)	831,865	2,414,084	174,530,050

**OPERATING DATA REPORT (CONTINUED)**

DOCKET NO. 50 - 278

DATE APRIL 1, 2003

	THIS MONTH	YR-TO-DATE	CUMULATIVE
11. UNIT SERVICE FACTOR	100.0 %	100.0 %	72.0 %
12. UNIT AVAILABILITY FACTOR	100.0 %	100.0 %	72.0 %
13. UNIT CAPACITY FACTOR (USING MDC NET)	102.3 %	102.3 %	66.7 %
14. UNIT CAPACITY FACTOR (USING DER NET)	99.9 %	99.9 %	64.9 %
15. UNIT FORCED OUTAGE RATE	.0 %	.0 %	8.2 %
16. SHUTDOWNS SCHEDULED OVER THE NEXT 6 MONTHS (TYPE, DATE AND DURATION OF EACH): (717) 456-4248			
17. IF SHUTDOWN AT THE END OF REPORT PERIOD, ESTIMATED DATE OF STARTUP: (717) 456-4248			
18. UNITS IN TEST STATUS (PRIOR TO COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS):	FORECAST	ACHIEVED	
INITIAL CRITICALITY		08/07/74	
INITIAL ELECTRICITY		09/01/74	
COMMERCIAL OPERATION		12/23/74	

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TOTAL HOURS

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <p>(1)</p> <p>F - FORCED<br/>S - SCHEDULED</p> | <p>(2)</p> <p>REASON</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A - EQUIPMENT FAILURE (EXPLAIN)</li> <li>B - MAINTENANCE OR TEST</li> <li>C - REFUELING</li> <li>D - REGULATORY RESTRICTION</li> <li>E - OPERATOR TRAINING + LICENSE EXAMINATION</li> <li>F - ADMINISTRATIVE</li> <li>G - OPERATIONAL ERROR (EXPLAIN)</li> <li>H - OTHER (EXPLAIN)</li> </ul> | <p>(3)</p> <p>METHOD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - MANUAL</li> <li>2 - MANUAL SCRAM</li> <li>3 - AUTOMATIC SCRAM</li> <li>4 - OTHER (EXPLAIN)</li> </ul> |
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