



**Technical Specification 5.6.8**

Palo Verde Nuclear  
Generating Station

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Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)  
Unit 3  
License No. NPF-74  
Docket No. STN 50-530  
Special Report 3-SR-2003-003  
Steam Generator Tube Plugging**

Attached please find Special Report 3-SR-2003-003 prepared and submitted pursuant to Technical Specifications (TS) Reporting Requirement 5.6.8. This report discusses steam generator tube plugging in Unit 3. Pursuant to Technical Specification 5.6.8, the complete results of the steam generator tube inservice inspection will be submitted by April 18, 2004. Copies of the Special Report are being forwarded to the Regional Administrator, NRC Region IV and the PVNGS Resident Inspector.

No commitments are being made to the NRC by this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact Daniel G Marks at (623) 393-6492.

Sincerely,

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**Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Unit 3**

**Steam Generator Tube Plugging**

**License No. NPF-74**

**Docket No. STN 50-530**

**Special Report No. 3-SR-2003-003**

This Special Report is being provided pursuant to Palo Verde Unit 3 Technical Specifications (TS) Reporting Requirement 5.6.8 to report the number of steam generator tubes plugged and/or repaired as a result of inservice inspection activities. On April 18, 2003, Unit 3 was defueled during a refueling outage when an inservice inspection of both steam generators was completed. The inspection resulted in the plugging of 51 tubes in Steam Generator No. 1 and 98 tubes in Steam Generator No. 2.

Pursuant to Technical Specification 5.6.8, the complete results of the steam generator tube inservice inspection will be submitted by April 18, 2004