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Attention: Document Control Desk
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**Subject: Beaver Valley Power Station (BVPS), Unit No. 1 and No. 2
BV-1 Docket No. 50-334, License No. DPR-66
BV-2 Docket No. 50-412, License No. NPF-73
Withdrawal of Relief Requests**

References:

- 1) FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) submittal of Relief Request BV3-RV-01, "Proposed Alternative Repair Method for Reactor Vessel Head Penetrations" for BVPS Units 1 and 2, (letter L-03-008 dated March 17, 2003)
- 2) FENOC submittal of Relief Request BV3-RV-02, "Alternative Repair Method on Material Removal Requirements Following Thermal Removal Process" for BVPS Units 1 and 2, (letter L-03-009 dated March 17, 2003)
- 3) FENOC submittal of Relief Request BV3-RV-03, "Proposed Alternatives to the Gas-Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW) Machine Bead Welding Requirements" for BVPS Units 1 and 2, (letter L-03-010 dated March 17, 2003)
- 4) FENOC submittal of Relief Request BV3-RV-04, "Proposed Alternative Repair Method for Reactor Vessel Head Penetrations" for BVPS Units 1 and 2, (letter L-03-056 dated March 28, 2003)

Prior to the recent BVPS Unit 1 1R15 Refueling Outage, FENOC submitted several relief requests (References 1, 2 and 3) that proposed alternatives to the requirements of ASME Section XI. These requests were submitted in the event that these alternative methods would be necessary if the 1R15 reactor pressure vessel (RPV) head penetration inspections identified the need to perform repairs.

FENOC subsequently submitted Relief Request BV3-RV-04 (Reference 4) to request the use of an alternative repair method utilizing the embedded flaw technique at BVPS. The NRC granted this request and this method was used to repair flaws on the outside diameter of the BVPS Unit 1 control rod drive mechanisms during 1R15. Relief Request BV3-RV-04 superceded the request submitted in Reference 1, therefore Relief Request BV3-RV-01 is no longer needed.

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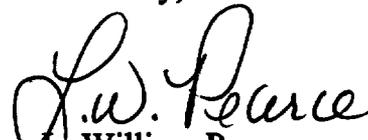
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Additionally, the alternative methods that were proposed in References 2 and 3 were not necessary. Therefore, Relief Request BV3-RV-02 and Relief Request BV3-RV-03 are not needed at this time.

Based on the information provided above, FENOC wishes to withdraw Relief Requests BV3-RV-01, BV3-RV-02, and BV3-RV-03 that were submitted by References 1, 2 and 3, respectively.

There are no new regulatory commitments contained in this letter. If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Larry R. Freeland, Manager, Regulatory Affairs/Performance Improvement at 724-682-5284.

Sincerely,


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