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- References:
1. Letter 102-04864-CDM/TNW/DWG, dated November 7, 2002, from D. Mauldin, APS, to NRC, "Request for Amendment to Technical Specifications: 3.2.4, Departure From Nucleate Boiling Ratio (DNBR), 3.3.1, Reactor Protective System (RPS) Instrumentation - Operating, 3.3.3, Control Element Assembly Calculators (CEACs)"
  2. Letter 102-04384-AKK/SAB/GAM, dated December 16, 1999, from A. K. Krainik, APS, to NRC, "Request for Common Operating License Amendment Numbers"

Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Supplement to Provide Updated Technical Specification Pages for the Proposed Operating License Amendment Related to the Core Protection Calculator System Upgrade**

In Reference 1, Arizona Public Service Company (APS) submitted to NRC a request to amend PVNGS Technical Specifications (TS) in support of the core protection calculator system (CPCS) upgrade. Since that submittal, the NRC issued Amendment No. 149 for power uprate to PVNGS Unit 2. As a result, two proposed TS pages included with Reference 1 for the CPCS amendment need to be revised to reflect changes approved in Amendment No. 149.

Enclosed are revised proposed retyped TS pages 3.3.1-8 and 3.3.1-17. These pages include the changes proposed in the Reference 1 amendment request and the changes approved in Amendment No. 149 for PVNGS Unit 2. No new TS changes are being proposed by this letter. Please use these pages in place of the pages submitted in the Reference 1 TS amendment request letter.

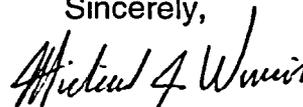
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Operating License Amendment Related to the CPCS Upgrade  
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Separately, in Reference 2 APS requested that all common operating license amendments be issued with the same amendment number for all three PVNGS units, as was done when the NRC issued the PVNGS Improved Technical Specification Amendment No. 117 on May 20, 1998. This occasionally requires that some units' amendment numbers be skipped, for example when the NRC issued PVNGS Amendment No. 123. In the December 29, 1999, letter issuing Amendment No. 123, the NRC stated that "[f]uture amendments common to all three units will also use a single amendment number." Therefore, since Amendment No. 149 was only issued to Unit 2, the next amendment common to all three units should be no. 150 for all three units, and Amendment No. 149 for units 1 and 3 will never be used.

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

Should you have any questions, please contact Thomas N. Weber at (623) 393-5764.

Sincerely,  
  
for CDM

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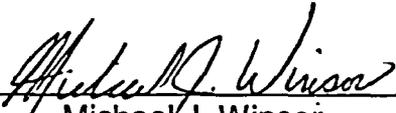
Enclosures:

- Notarized Affidavit
- Revised Proposed Retyped TS Pages 3.3.1-8 and 3.3.1-17

cc: B. S. Mallett            NRC Region IV Regional Administrator  
M. B. Fields            NRC NRR Project Manager  
N. L. Salgado           NRC Senior Resident Inspector for PVNGS  
A. V. Godwin            Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency (ARRA)

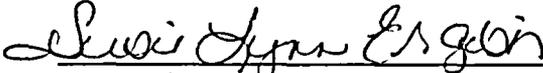
STATE OF ARIZONA        )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF MARICOPA    )

I, Michael J. Winsor, represent that I am Director, Nuclear Engineering, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), that the foregoing document has been signed by me on behalf of APS with full authority to do so, and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made therein are true and correct.

  
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Michael J. Winsor

Sworn To Before Me This 1st Day Of October, 2003.



  
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**Enclosure 2**

**Revised Proposed Retyped  
TS Pages 3.3.1-8 and 3.3.1-17**

RPS Instrumentation – Operating (Before CPC Upgrade)  
3.3.1

Table 3.3.1-1 (page 1 of 3)  
Reactor Protective System Instrumentation

FUNCTION	APPLICABLE MODES OR OTHER SPECIFIED CONDITIONS	SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS	ALLOWABLE VALUE
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2. Logarithmic Power Level – High(a)	2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.12 SR 3.3.1.13	$\leq$ 0.011% NRTP
3. Pressurizer Pressure – High	1.2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.13	$\leq$ 2388 psia
4. Pressurizer Pressure – Low	1.2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.12 SR 3.3.1.13	$\geq$ 1821 psia
5. Containment Pressure – High	1.2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.13	$\leq$ 3.2 psig
6. Steam Generator #1 Pressure – Low	1.2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.13	Units 1 and 3: $\geq$ 890 psia Unit 2: $\geq$ 955 psia
7. Steam Generator #2 Pressure – Low	1.2	SR 3.3.1.1 SR 3.3.1.7 SR 3.3.1.9 SR 3.3.1.13	Units 1 and 3: $\geq$ 890 psia Unit 2: $\geq$ 955 psia

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PALO VERDE UNITS 1 AND 3  
PALO VERDE UNIT 2

3.3.1-8

AMENDMENT NO. 119,  
AMENDMENT NO. 149,

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