

BWRVIP BWR Vessel & Internals Project _____ 2004-280

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Subject: PROJECT NO. 704 – BWRVIP Response to NRC Safety Evaluation of
BWRVIP-80

- References:
1. Letter from William H. Bateman (NRC) to Carl Terry (BWRVIP Chairman), "Safety Evaluation of Proprietary EPRI Report 000000000001000038, BWR Vessel and Internals Project, Evaluation of Crack Growth in BWR Shroud Vertical Welds (BWRVIP-80), May 2000 (TAC NO. MB3943)," dated February 19, 2003.
 2. Letter from Carl Terry (BWRVIP Chairman) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Project 704 – BWR Vessel and Internals Project, Evaluation of Crack Growth in BWR Shroud Vertical Welds (BWRVIP-80), EPRI Report 000000000001000038, May 2000," dated June 2, 2000.

Enclosed are ten (10) copies of the BWRVIP response to the NRC Safety Evaluation (SE) of the BWRVIP-80 report that was transmitted to the BWRVIP by the Reference 1 NRC letter identified above. The enclosure describes each of the issues in the SE as identified by the BWRVIP followed by the BWRVIP response to each issue.

Please note that the enclosed document contains proprietary information. Therefore, the request to withhold the BWRVIP-80 report from public disclosure transmitted to the NRC by the Reference 2 letter identified above also applies to the enclosed document.

If you have any questions on this subject, please contact George Inch (Constellation Energy Group, BWRVIP Assessment Committee Technical Chairman) by telephone at 315.349.2441.

Sincerely,



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