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Request for Review and Approval of BAW-10243(P) "Statistical Fuel Assembly Hold Down Methodology"

Framatome ANP requests the NRC's review and approval of topical report BAW-10243(P), "Statistical Fuel Assembly Hold Down Methodology." Proprietary and non-proprietary versions of the report are provided on the enclosed CDs.

We believe Crystal River Unit 3 intends to reference this topical report for a Fall 2005 startup. Framatome ANP therefore requests that the NRC complete its review by September 30, 2005.

Framatome ANP considers some of the material contained in the enclosed documents to be proprietary. As required by 10 CFR 2.390(b), an affidavit is enclosed to support the withholding of the information from public disclosure.

Very truly yours,

James F. Mallay, Director
Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

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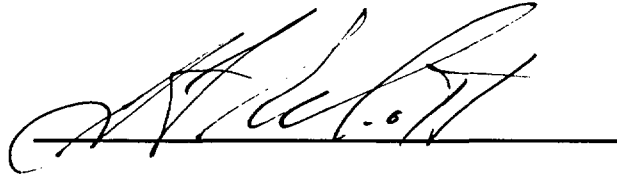
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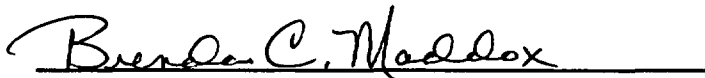
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9. The foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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SUBSCRIBED before me this 21st
day of September, 2004.

A handwritten signature in black ink, "Brenda C. Maddox", written over a horizontal line.

Brenda C. Maddox
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