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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Attn: Document Control Desk Washington, DC 20555-0001

Subject:

Monthly Operating Report

Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 (Waterford 3)

Docket No. 50-382 License No. NPF-38

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached is the subject report which covers the operating statistics for the month of April 2005. This report is submitted per Section 6.9.1.6 of the Waterford 3 Technical Specifications for Facility Operating License No. NPF-38. Please note that beginning in February 2005, Gross Electrical Energy Generated values on line 10 of the report are estimated values. Estimated values are being reported due to watt-meter failures on the Main Generator and the in-house load buses. Net generation was able to be determined by measuring current flows in the off-site switchyard.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact R. J. Pollock at (504) 739-6561.

There are no new commitments contained in this submittal.

Sincerely,

R.J. Murillo

Acting Licensing Manager

RJM/RJP/ Attachment(s)

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NRC MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT WATERFORD 3 for April, 2005

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

The unit operated at an average reactor power level of 53.2% for the month, having shut down on April 17th to commence Refuel Outage #13 (RFO13).

PRESSURIZER SAFETY VALVE FAILURES AND CHALLENGES

There were no pressurizer safety valve failures or challenges experienced during the month.

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OPERATING DATA REPORT

DOCKET NUMBER: 50-382

UNIT NAME: WATERFORD 3

DATE OF REPORT: May 4, 2005
COMPLETED BY: Jim Pollock

TELEPHONE: (504) 739-6561

OPERATING STATUS

1. Reporting Period : April, 2005
Gross Hours in Reporting Period : 719

2. Currently Authorized Power Level (MWt) : 3,441

Maximum Dependable Capacity (Net MWe) : 1,075

Design Electrical Rating (Net MWe) : 1,104

3. Power Level to which Restricted (if any) (Net MWe) : N/A

4. Reason for Restriction (if any) : N/A

		THIS MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	CUMULATIVE
5.	Number of Hours Reactor was Critical	383.8	2,543.8	149,540.1
6.	Reactor Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	0.0
7.	Hours Generator was On-line	383.8	2,543.8	148,144.8
8.	Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.0	0.0	0.0
9.	Gross Thermal Energy Generated (MWH)	1,316,652	8,742,717	495,264,542
10.	Gross Electrical Energy Generated (MWH)	442,096	2,923,650	165,896,054
11.	Net Electrical Energy Generated (MWH)	424,432	2,806,683	158,544,461
12.	Reactor Service Factor	53.4	88.4	87.0
13.	Reactor Availability Factor	53.4	88.4	87.0
14.	Unit Service Factor	53.4	88.4	86.2
15.	Unit Availability Factor	53.4	88.4	86.2
16.	Unit Capacity Factor (using MDC)	54.9	90.7	85.8
17.	Unit Capacity Factor (using DER)	53.5	88.3	83.6
18.	Unit Forced Outage Rate	0.0	0.0	3.3

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OPERATING STATUS (Cont.)

19. Shutdowns Scheduled over next 6 months (type, date and duration of each):

None.

20. If Shutdown at end of report period, estimated date of startup: 5/31/2005

21. Unit is in Commercial Operation.

THIS MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	CUMULATIVE
719	2,879	171,816
0.0	0.0	5,008.1
	MONTH 719	MONTH DATE 719 2,879

24. Nameplate Rating (Gross MWe) : 1,200

Max. Dependable Capacity (Gross MWe) : 1,120

25. If changes occur in capacity ratings (Items 2 and 24) since the last report, give the reasons:

N/A					
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AVERAGE DAILY UNIT POWER LEVEL

DOCKET NUMBER: 50-382

UNIT NAME: WATERFORD 3

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Reporting Period: April, 2005 (NET MWe)

DAY	Avg. Power Level	DAY	Avg. Power Level
1	1,108	16	1,097
2	1,107	17	10
3	1,106	18	0
4	1,109	19	0
5	1,106	20	0
6	1,108	21	0
7	1,107	22	0
8	1,106	23	0
9	1,108	24	0
10	1,110	25	0
11	1,106	26	0
12	1,112	27	0
13	1,112	28	0
14	1,111	29	0
15	1,111	30	0
15	1,111	50	

INSTRUCTIONS:

On this form, list the average daily unit power level in MWe-Net for each day in the reporting month. Compute to the nearest whole megawatt. Reflects On-Line Net Generation.

UNIT SHUTDOWNS AND POWER REDUCTIONS

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REPORTING PERIOD:			April, 2005			
Number	Date (yymmdd)	* Type	Outage Duration (Hours)	** Reason	Shutdown Method	Cause, Comments and Corrective Actions
05-01	050417	S	335.2	С	1	A normal, uncomplicated plant shutdown was performed in order to conduct scheduled refueling outage 13. The refueling outage is continuing into May 2005.

TYPE REASON

F - Forced A - Equipment Failure (explain)

S - Scheduled B - Maintenance or Test

C - Refueling

D - Regulatory Restriction
E - Operator Training and

License Examination

1 - Manual F - Administrative

2 - Manual Scram G - Operational Error (explain)

3 - Automatic Scram H - Other (explain)

4 - Continuation from Previous Period

5 - Power Reduction

6 - Other (explain)

METHOD