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Dear Sir:

Subject: Salem Generating Station Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-272 and 50-311  
License Change Request S03-05  
Implementation of Alternate Source Term (AST)  
Request for Changes to Technical Specifications and  
Updated Final Safety Analysis Report

PSEG Nuclear LLC submitted the proposed change to the Salem Technical Specifications by letter to the NRC dated April 26, 2004. The proposed amendment would modify the current allowable ESF leakage outside containment from 1 gallon per day to 1 gallon per minute and would delete the requirements on the charcoal/HEPA filtration system from the technical specifications.

The BNE has no technical comments on the proposed change, but is concerned that if the change is approved the licensee would be allowed to remove the charcoal/HEPA filtration without prior NRC approval through the 10 CFR 50.59 change process. The BNE has discussed this concern with the licensee and they have committed to place a requirement in their commitment tracking system to notify the BNE if they plan on removing this filtration system in the future. This commitment satisfies the BNE's concern.

If you need to discuss this subject further, please contact Elliot Rosenfeld at (609) 984-7548.

Sincerely,

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