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Duane Arnold Energy Center
Docket Nos. 50-331 and 71-0083
License No. DPR-49

Subject: Transfer of Quality Assurance Program Approval For Radioactive Material Packages Pursuant to 10 CFR 71.101(f), in Conformance with 10 CFR Part 50 License Transfer

- References:
- 1) Letter, G. Van Middlesworth (NMC) and J.A. Stall (FPLE) to USNRC, "Application for Order and Conforming Amendments for License Transfer," NG-05-0419, August 1, 2005.
 - 2) Letter, R. Lewis (USNRC) to E. Weinkam (NMC), "Quality Assurance Program Approval for Radioactive Material Packages No. 0083, Revision 8," October 28, 2005.
 - 3) Letter, E. Weinkam (NMC) to USNRC, "Notification of Intent to Apply the Nuclear Management Company (NMC) Quality Assurance Topical Report, NMC-1, to Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI), Spent Fuel Cask and Radioactive Waste Shipment Activities at NMC Operated Plants," dated September 13, 2005.

In the Reference 1 application, Nuclear Management Company, LLC ("NMC"), Interstate Power and Light Company ("IPL"), and FPL Energy Duane Arnold, LLC ("FPLE Duane Arnold") (collectively, "the parties"), submitted an application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") for an order and conforming amendments consenting to the transfer of Facility Operating License No. DPR-49 (the "License") for Duane Arnold Energy Center ("DAEC").

As part of that application, FPLE Duane Arnold stated its intention to continue to use the NMC Part 50, Appendix B Quality Assurance Topical Report (QATR) after the license transfer. This QATR has been approved under §71.101(f) for the DAEC (Ref. 2). Other than changes reflecting the name of the new licensee and minor organizational changes, which can be made

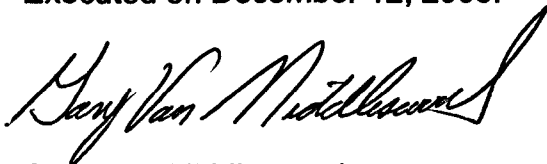
without prior NRC approval under §50.54(a)(3), no substantive changes will be made to the QATR as a result of the Part 50 license transfer to FPLE Duane Arnold. Thus, those portions of the QATR applicable to radioactive waste shipments are not being substantively revised from that previously approved in Reference 2. After the Part 50 license transfer, FPLE Duane Arnold intends to apply the QATR to the same Part 71 activities as those previously requested (Ref. 3).

Accordingly, NMC and FPLE Duane Arnold respectfully request that NRC issue the Part 71 Quality Assurance Program Approval for Radioactive Material Packages (NMC Form 311) for the DAEC, assigned to FPLE Duane Arnold, effective on the date of the Part 50 license transfer.

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Further questions regarding this matter should be directed to either Steven Catron, DAEC Nuclear Safety Assurance Manager at 319-851-7234 or Robert E. Helfrich, Senior Attorney, FPL Energy, LLC at 561-304-5288.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on December 12, 2005.



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Sincerely,



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