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Ladies and Gentlemen:

DOCKET NUMBER 50-483 CALLAWAY PLANT UNIT 1 UNION ELECTRIC CO. FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NPF-30 REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION

In accordance with COMSECY-08-022, Union Electric Co. (dba AmerenUE), the licensee for Callaway Plant Unit 1, respectfully requests that the expiration date for enforcement discretion regarding transition to NFPA 805 be extended to 6 months past the milestone date of approval of the NRC's safety evaluation for the license amendment to be issued for the second pilot plant.

In 2005, AmerenUE decided to transition the fire protection licensing basis for Callaway Plant to the risk-informed, performance-based alternative in 10 CFR 50.48(c). AmerenUE submitted a letter of intent to the NRC on December 2, 2005 (ML053420340) for Callaway Plant to adopt NFPA 805 in accordance with 10 CFR 50.48(c).

By letter dated January 31, 2006 (ML053530018), the NRC acknowledged receipt of the letter of intent, but did not specifically grant a three-year enforcement discretion period requested in the letter of intent. The NRC granted a third year of enforcement discretion by Federal Register Notice 71 FR 19905 dated April 18, 2006. In accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy, the enforcement discretion period will continue until the NRC approval of the license amendment request is completed.

In accordance with COMSECY-08-022, AmerenUE is requesting that enforcement discretion be extended for Callaway Plant until 6 months after the Safety Evaluation is issued for the second pilot plant. Substantial progress toward completion of NFPA 805 transition is discussed in the attachment to this letter. The

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attachment provides the information requested by COMSECY-08-022 as applicable to Callaway Plant.

Please contact Mr. Scott Maglio at (573) 676-8719 if there are any questions regarding this submittal.

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NFPA 805 Transition Progress

COMSECY-08-022 requested information from licensees on demonstrated progress toward completion of NFPA 805 transition, as a condition of granting an extension of enforcement discretion. Callaway has made substantial progress in its NFPA 805 transition effort. Callaway personnel have participated in the NEI NFPA 805 and Fire PRA Task Forces and the Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) process. They have made significant progress in performing the work activities for the transition effort in an effective manner, while utilizing the lessons learned from the Pilot Plant process.

A project milestone schedule is attached. In addition, a detailed Callaway NFPA 805 Transition schedule is available onsite for review. The following table represents the major work activities for the Callaway Plant associated with NFPA 805 Transition. The "LAR/TR Reference" column refers to the referenced section of the Pilot Plant NFPA 805 LAR/Transition Reports that document the results of the NFPA 805 Transition. As shown in the table below, Callaway has demonstrated substantial progress in the NFPA 805 transition process.

LAR/TR Reference	Topic	Approximate % Complete	Current Milestone Completion Date
N/A	Safe shutdown Analysis Update (pre-requisite task)	82% ⁵	02/15/09
4.1 Attachment A	Fundamental FP Program Elements and Minimum Design Requirements (Table B-1)	91% ^{1,2}	12/12/08
4.2.1 Attachment B	Nuclear Safety Capability Assessment - Methodology (Table B-2)	80%1	01/31/09
Section 4.2.2 Attachment C	Nuclear Safety Capability Assessment - Fire Area - by - Fire Area Review (Table B-3)	60%1	02/15/09
Section 4.3 Attachment D	Non Power Operational Modes (Table F-1)	58% ³	12/26/08
Section 4.4 Attachment E	Radioactive Release (Table G-1)	98% ⁶	12/15/08
4.5.1	Fire PRA Development	72% ⁴	03/2/09

- Note 1 These tables contain open items that may require completion of the fire PRA
- Note 2 Includes B-1 Table, EEEE Reviews, and NFPA Code Compliance Calculations
- Note 3 Schedule impacted by FAQ 07-0040, Clarification on non-power operations
- Note 4 Does not include Peer Review scheduled for 3/09
- Note 5 May require fire PRA completion to support evaluation of recovery actions
- Note 6 Re-opened task to incorporate NRC comments to Pilot Plant

Physical Modifications

Callaway has identified physical modifications that will be required as part of the transition effort. However, no physical modifications have been performed to address any fire protection issues to date. Any modifications required will be identified in the license amendment request submittal letter, and that letter will provide a schedule and commitments for any such modifications.

NFPA 805 Monitoring Program

COMSECY-08-022 requested that as part of the status report for demonstrating substantial progress on the transition, the status of the NFPA 805 monitoring program be provided. The NFPA 805 monitoring program is highly dependent on fire PRA results as well as the traditional fire protection program issues. Therefore, the monitoring program is one of the last items to be completed during the transition effort. This is consistent with the manner in which both pilot plants are proceeding.

Information Available On Site

In addition to the information contained in this attachment, COMSECY-08-022 requested that additional information be compiled / documented on site available for inspection/audit.

All fire protection-related noncompliances have been entered into the site corrective action program, and appropriate compensatory measures in accordance with the existing fire protection program have been implemented. This information is contained within the site's corrective action program and is available for review.

Unallowed Operator Manual Actions (those designated as bin H under NEI 04-02) which are being considered compensatory measures, comply with RIS 2005-07. The feasibility of the Operator Manual Actions has been reviewed and any such action being considered as a compensatory measure is considered feasible. The feasibility review for these actions was done based on the existing safe shutdown analysis.

Note that recovery action feasibility will require modification and/or revision due to the information generated by the NFPA 805 transition effort. That feasibility review can not be completed until most of the other transition efforts are complete since the information

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generated during the transition effort may change which recovery actions are required or may change the timing required for these or recovery actions. Some of that effort is tied to the completion of the fire PRA. Therefore, the feasibility of some of these actions will be reviewed at the completion of the fire PRA effort. This is consistent with the pilot plants.

PROJECT MILESTONE SCHEDULE (9 Pages)

















