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SUBJECT:

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station

Docket No. 50-293 License No. DPR-35

Results of UT Examination of Jet Pump Instrumentation Nozzle RPV-

N9A-1 Weld Overlay (TAC NO. ME1151)

REFERENCE:

Entergy Letter, 2.09.037, Pilgrim Relief Request (PRR)-19, Jet Pump Instrumentation Nozzle Weld, RPV-N9A-1 Repair Plan,

dated May 7, 2009

LETTER NUMBER: 2.09.038

Dear Sir or Madam,

The attachment to this letter provides results of the Ultrasonic Testing (UT) examination of the weld overlay completed on the Jet Pump Instrumentation (JPI) Nozzle Safe-End weld, RPV-N9A-1, as specified in Reference 1, Enclosure 2. The weld overlay was completed during Refueling Outage 17.

The UT examination was conducted using the Performance Demonstration Initiative (PDI) methodology in accordance with the requirements of ASME Section XI, Appendix VIII, Supplement 11 as endorsed by 10 CFR 50.55a and addressed in Pilgrim Relief Request PRR-9, which was approved by the NRC in a Safety Evaluation Report, dated March 22, 2006.

The results of the UT examination of the weld overlay were acceptable relative to the requirements of 1998 ASME Code with 2000 Addenda, Section XI, Appendix VIII, Supplement 11, modified by the PDI methodology.

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There are no commitments made in this submittal.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Joseph Lynch, Pilgrim Licensing Manager at 508-830-8403.

Sincerely,

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Attachment:

Results of UT Examination of Jet Pump Instrumentation Nozzle, RPV-N9A-1,

Weld Overlay (1 page)

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ATTACHMENT

To Entergy Letter No. 2.09.038

Results of UT Examination of Jet Pump Instrumentation Nozzle RPV-N9A-1 Weld Overlay

Regulatory Commitments Made in Entergy Letter 2.09.037, Enclosure 2	UT Examination results of Jet Pump Instrumentation Nozzle, RPV-N9A-1, Weld Overlay
Weld overlay examination results including a listing of indications detected.	No indications were detected or observed. The achieved coverage included 100% of the PSI Overlay and greater than 98% of the base material for the welds.
Disposition of indications using the standards of ASME Section XI, Subsection IWB-3514-2 and/or IWB-3514-3 criteria and, if possible, the type and nature of the indications	No indications required disposition as a result of the inspection. The Weld Overlay was accepted in accordance with the requirements of ASME Section XI, Appendix VIII, Supplement 11 requirements, as modified by Pilgrim Relief Request PRR-9 for the PDI Methodology.
A discussion of any repairs to the weld overlay material and/or base metal and the reason for the repairs.	No repairs to the weld overlay material were made.