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- References: 1. Docket No. 50-285
 - 2. Letter from OPPD (R. P. Clemens) to NRC (Document Control Desk), "Fort Calhoun Station (FCS) Unit No. 1 License Amendment Request (LAR) 09-01, Steam Generator Blowdown Isolation Operability and Testing Requirements," dated January 30, 2009 (LIC-09-0004) (ML090340536)
 - 3. Email from NRC (L. E. Wilkins) to OPPD (B. R. Hansher), "RAIs (Request for Additional Information) for LAR 09-01, Steam Generator Blowdown Isolation Operability and Testing Requirements," dated April 9, 2009 (ML091680589)
 - 4. Letter from OPPD (R. P. Clemens) to NRC (Document Control Desk), "Response to Request for Additional Information Concerning License Amendment Request (LAR) 09-01, Steam Generator Blowdown Isolation Operability and Testing Requirements," dated June 30, 2009 (LIC-09-0043) (ML091830041)

SUBJECT: Revision to License Amendment Request (LAR) 09-01, "Steam Generator **Blowdown Isolation Operability and Testing Requirements**"

In Reference 2, the Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) requested a change to Fort Calhoun Station (FCS), Unit No. 1, Renewed Operating License No. DPR-40, to add operability and surveillance testing requirements to the FCS Technical Specifications (TS) for the steam generator (SG) blowdown isolation on a reactor trip. The NRC staff reviewed the proposed change and in Reference 3, transmitted a request for additional information (RAI).

OPPD responded in Reference 4 by providing a discussion as to why TS 2.15(1) through 2.15(4) do not apply and explained that the proposed footnotes provide specific guidance for component inoperability. As stated on page 6 of Reference 4, the operability of the initiation portion of the blowdown isolation function is addressed by TS 2.15, Table 2-2. The proposed revision adds TS for the actuation portion of the blowdown isolation function; TS 2.15(1) through 2.15(4) apply to initiating channels. In a teleconference on August 13, 2009, the NRC expressed a concern about the proposed wording of the footnotes.

Specifically, proposed footnote (h) which provides information on the logic subsystem is designated as associated with TS 2.15, Table 2-4, Item 4B, *Reactor Trip*, which is the automatic portion of the actuation circuit, but was not designated as associated with TS 2.15, Table 2-4, Item 4A, which is the manual portion of the actuation circuit. Additionally, since TS 2.15, Table 2-4, footnotes (i) and (j) do not state that TS 2.15(1) through 2.15(4) do not apply, in some situations it could be concluded that both the TS 2.15 guidance and the footnotes would apply and contain different actions for the same condition. Therefore, for clarification, footnote (h) is revised to apply to the manual actuation train in addition to the automatic actuation train, and footnotes (i) and (j) are revised to specifically state that TS 2.15(1) through 2.15(4) do not apply.

OPPD has reviewed and approved the changes requested by the NRC and they are incorporated in the attached markup and clean pages. The attached pages supersede the corresponding pages provided with Reference 2. As the changes are considered a minor clarification, the conclusion of the evaluation provided by Reference 2 that the changes present no significant hazards consideration under the standards set forth in 10 CFR 50.92(c), remains valid.

No regulatory commitments are made in this letter. If you should have any questions regarding this submittal or require additional information, please contact Mr. Bill R. Hansher at (402) 533-6894.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on August

28, 2009.

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Attachments:

- 1. Technical Specification Page Markups
- 2. Retyped ("Clean") Technical Specifications
- c: E. E. Collins, NRC Regional Administrator, Region IV
 - A. B. Wang, NRC Project Manager
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Technical Specification Page Markups

TABLE 2-4 Instrument Operating Conditions for Isolation Functions

<u>No.</u> -	Functional	Minimum Operable <u>Channels</u>	Minimum Degree of Redundancy	Permissible Bypass <u>Condition</u>	Test, Maintenance and Inoperable <u>Bypass</u>				
1	Containment Isolation								
Α	Manual	1	None	None	N/A				
В	Containment High Pre- Logic Subsystem A Logic Subsystem B	ssure 2 ^{(a)(e)(g)} 2 ^{(a)(e)(g)}	1 1	During Leak Test	(f)				
C	Pressurizer Low/Low F Logic Subsystem A Logic Subsystem B	Pressure 2 ^{(a)(e)(g)} 2 ^{(a)(e)(g)}	1 1	Reactor Coolant Pressure Less Than 1700 psia ^(b)	(f)				
2	Steam Generator Isolation								
Α	Manual	1	None	None	N/A				
B .	Steam Generator Isolation (i) Steam Generator Low Pressure	, 1	None	None	N/A				
	Logic Subsystem A	A 2/Steam Gen ^{(a)(e)(g)}	1/Steam Gen	Steam Generator Pressure Less Than 600 psia ^(c)	(f)				
	Logic Subsystem E	3 2/Steam Gen ^{(a)(e)(g)}	1/Steam Gen						
,	(ii) Containment High Logic Subsystem Logic Subsystem	A 2 ^{(a)(e)(g)}	1 1	During Leak Test	(f)				
3	Ventilation Isolation								
Α	Manual	1	None	None	N/A				
В	Containment High Rac Logic Subsystem A Logic Subsystem B	diation 1 ^{(d)(g)} 1 ^{(d)(g)}	None None	If Containment Relief and Purge Valves are Closed	(f)				
4	Steam Generator Blow	vdown Isolation							
	Manual	1 ^(h)	None	Operating Modes 3, 4, & 5	N/A				
B	Reactor Trip Trains A and B	2 ^{(h)(l)}	None	Operating Modes 3, 4, & 5 OR if at least one valve for each steam generator is closed	(1)				

TABLE 2-4

(Continued)

- a Circuits on ESF Logic Subsystems A and B each have 4 channels.
- b Auto removal of bypass prior to exceeding 1700 psia.
- c Auto removal of bypass prior to exceeding 600 psia.
- d A and B trains are both actuated by either the Containment or Auxiliary Building Exhaust Stack initiating channels. The number of installed channels for Containment Radiation High Signal is two for purposes of Specification 2.15(1).
- e If minimum operable channel conditions are reached, one inoperable channel must be placed in the tripped condition within eight hours from the time of discovery of loss of operability. Specification 2.15(2) is applicable.
- f If one channel becomes inoperable, that channel must be placed in the tripped or bypassed condition within eight hours from the time of discovery of loss of operability. Specification 2.15(1) is applicable.
- g Specification 2.15(3) is applicable. If ESF Logic Subsystems A and B are inoperable, enter Specification 2.0.1.
- h "Minimum Operable Channels" for steam generator blowdown isolation refers to the minimum number of trains (logic subsystems) which are required to be operable to provide manual or automatic SG blowdown isolation.
 - If both trains become inoperable, power operation may continue provided at least one SG blowdown isolation valve for each steam generator is closed OR be in MODE 2 within 6 hours, and in MODE 3 in the next 6 hours. Specifications 2.15(1), (2), (3) and (4) are not applicable; TS LCO 2.0.1 is not applicable.
- If one train becomes inoperable, that train may be placed in the bypassed condition. If the train is not returned to OPERABLE status within 24 hours from time of discovery of loss of operability, operation may continue as long as one SG blowdown isolation valve to each steam generator is closed. If the train is not returned to OPERABLE status within 24 hours from time of discovery, with blowdown not isolated to both SGs, be in MODE 2 within 6 hours, and in MODE 3 in the next 6 hours. Specifications 2.15(1), (2), (3) and (4) are not applicable, TS LCO 2.0.1 is not applicable.

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Α	Manual	1	None	None	N/A				
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4	Steam Generator Blowdown Isolation								
Α	Manual	1 ^(h)	None	Operating Modes 3, 4, & 5	N/A				
В	Reactor Trip Trains A and B	2 ^{(h)(i)}	None	Operating Modes 3, 4, & 5 <u>OR</u> if at least one valve for each steam generator is closed	(j)				

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