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Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Nos. STN 50-528, 50-529, and 50-530
Withdrawal of Request for Amendment to Technical Specification
3.7.4, "Atmospheric Dump Valves (ADV)"**

By letter number 102-06241, dated August 25, 2010 [Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML102450051], Arizona Public Service Company (APS) submitted a license amendment request (LAR) for Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS), Units 1, 2, and 3. The proposed amendment would revise Technical Specification (TS) 3.7.4, "Atmospheric Dump Valves (ADV)," to require that two ADV lines per steam generator (SG) be operable in Modes 1, 2, and 3, as well as in Mode 4 when a steam generator is relied upon for heat removal.

As requested by the NRC as a part of the sufficiency review of the LAR, APS provided supplementary information in letter number 102-06267, dated October 20, 2010 (ADAMS Accession No. ML103010172). In a public meeting with the NRC on November 18, 2010, further discussions took place on the LAR. A summary of the meeting is provided in ADAMS Accession No. ML103230084. Based on these discussions and the APS desire to further consider the NRC position, APS has decided to withdraw the LAR as discussed with Mr. Michael T. Markley of the NRC on Thursday, December 2, 2010. APS has entered the withdrawal of the ADV LAR into the corrective action program to further evaluate the appropriate actions. Prior to submittal of a revised LAR on this subject, APS intends to request a pre-licensing meeting with the NRC to discuss the submittal.

Appropriate protective actions remain in place while the options for correcting this condition are pursued. This is consistent with the guidance in NRC Administrative Letter 98-10, "Dispositioning of Technical Specifications that are Insufficient to Assure

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Plant Safety." Specifically, administrative controls are implemented that require two
ADV lines per SG.

Should you need further information regarding this withdrawal request, please contact
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Sincerely,

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Enclosure: None

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