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Subject: Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2
Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62
Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324
Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) Docket No. 72-006
Registration and Use of Casks to Store Spent Fuel and System Thermal
Performance Assessment

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10 CFR 72.212(b)(1)(ii), Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L), now doing business as Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc., is registering the use of two approved spent fuel storage casks at the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant (BSEP) ISFSI. Registration of these casks is required no later than 30 days after using these casks to store spent fuel. The required cask registration information is provided in Enclosure 1.

This letter is also providing a summary of the results of the thermal performance assessment for the highest heat load dry storage canister (DSC) as required by the General Requirements and Conditions of the Technical Specifications for Amendment No. 10 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1004, Section 1.1.7, "Special Requirements for First System in Place." Enclosure 2 provides the results of the thermal performance assessment for DSC BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07, which has the highest heat load to date.

No regulatory commitments are contained in this letter. Please refer any questions regarding this submittal to Mr. Lee Grzeck, Acting Supervisor - Licensing/Regulatory Programs, at (910) 457-2487.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Cask Registration Information Required by 10 CFR 72.212(b)(1)(ii)
2. NUHOMS-61BTH System Thermal Performance Information

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Cask Registration Information
Required by 10 CFR 72.212(b)(1)(ii)

The following information is required by 10 CFR 72.212(b)(1)(ii), which states that the general licensee shall "Register use of each cask with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission no later than 30 days after using that cask to store spent fuel."

Licensee Name	Carolina Power & Light Company (dba Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.)
Licensee Address	Progress Energy Brunswick Steam Electric Plant P.O. Box 10429 Southport, NC 28461-0429
Reactor License Numbers	DPR-71 (Unit 1) DPR-62 (Unit 2)
Reactor Docket Numbers	50-325 (Unit 1) 50-324 (Unit 2)
Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) Docket Number	72-006
Person Responsible for Providing Additional Information	Lee Grzeck Acting Supervisor – Licensing/Regulatory Programs (910) 457-2487
Cask Certificate of Compliance Number	1004, Amendment 10
Cask Model Number	Type 2 NUHOMS [®] -61BTH
Horizontal Storage Module (HSM) Model Number / HSM Numbers	HSM-H / 0-ISFSI-HSM-006 (for BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ06) HSM-H / 0-ISFSI-HSM-007 (for BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07)
Cask Identification Numbers	BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ06 BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07
Service Dates	January 27, 2011 (BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ06) February 3, 2011 (BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07)

NUHOMS-61BTH System Thermal Performance Information

The following provides a 30-day notification of the results of the thermal performance assessment for the highest heat load dry storage canister (DSC) as required by the General Requirements and Conditions of the Technical Specifications for Certificate of Compliance No. 1004, Amendment No. 10, Section 1.1.7, "Special Requirements for First System in Place."

Section 1.1.7, "Special Requirements for First System in Place," requires a summary of the results of thermal measurements for the first cask system in place. Specifically, Section 1.1.7 requires the heat transfer characteristics of the cask system to be recorded by temperature measurements with a DSC loaded with fuel assemblies producing approximately 24 kW heat load in a horizontal storage module (HSM). Section 1.1.7 also requires that if the system does not include fuel capable of producing a 24 kW heat load, then the user may use the lesser heat load and provide a calculation and comparison of the thermal performance, and that this process should continue to be performed and reported for any higher heat loads until a 31.2 kW heat load is achieved for the Type 2 61BTH DSC being used for the Brunswick Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI).

DSC Number	BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07
HSM Number	0-ISFSI-HSM-007
Loading Date	February 3, 2011
Temperature Measurement Date (Equilibrium)	February 5, 2011
Maximum Allowable Heat Load	31.2 kW
Actual Loaded Heat Load	29.032 kW

The calculated temperature differential limit is a function of both the DSC heat load and the ambient temperature. For the loaded DSC BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07, the heat load was 29.032 kW and the ambient temperature each day, at the time of the temperature measurements, was between 45°F and 62°F (i.e., based on an average of three measurements). Based on these conditions and methodology consistent with the Transnuclear Updated Final Safety Analysis Report, the maximum allowable temperature rise is approximately 70.8°F. The HSM for the DSC BNP-61BTH-2-F-1-HZ07 was closed on February 3, 2011, and the temperature rise reached equilibrium by February 5, 2011. On February 5, 2011, the air inlet temperature was 62.2°F (i.e., based on an average of three measurements) and the air outlet temperature was 90.4°F (i.e., based on an average of four measurements). This gives an actual temperature rise of 28.2°F, which is significantly less than the allowable limit of 70.8°F.

Based on these measurements, it can be concluded that the thermal analysis, as described in Amendment No. 10 to Certificate of Compliance No. 1004 for the NUHOMS-61BTH system, is conservative.

Reference: Transnuclear, Inc. Calculation No. NUH61BTH-0425, Revision 0.