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General Comment

Regarding 10 CFR Part 50 [Docket No. PRM-50-96; NRC-2011-0069] and the Petition for Rulemaking Submitted by Thomas Popik.

I support the petition by Mr. Popik to require enhanced standby power systems to ensure continuous operation of the spent fuel pool cooling system as well as to keep the nuclear plant supplied with electricity in times of a local or regional electrical power outage for any reason. As has been seen recently at Fukushima, extended power interruption can occur for unimagined reasons. Nuclear plants dependent on river water for cooling, for example, are subject to flooding. A current example is the Fort Calhoun nuclear power plant being surrounded by flood waters. Increased flood levels could make protection of that facility problematic. While the protections proposed in the Petition may seem a bit extreme, natural forces are extreme. They must be accounted for. I hope NRC takes the Popik Petition seriously and consider having every nuclear plant in the United States reconsider worst case scenarios. Thank you.

Rulemaking Comments

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Van,

Attached for docketing is a comment from Dick Padrick on PRM-50-96 (76 FR 26223) that I received via the regulations.gov website on 6/22/11.

Thanks,
Carol