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Response to NRC Bulletin 90-02 "Loss of Thermal Margin Caused by Channel Box Bow"

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Dear Dr. Murley:

NRC Bulletin 90-02 requests Licensees that currently use channel boxes for a second bundle lifetime to verify that current Critical Power Ratio Technical Specification operating and safety limits are met.

The DAEC currently has no second fuel bundle lifetime channel boxes installed in the core. At this time there are no plans to reuse channel boxes after their first bundle lifetime. Consequently, the Requested Action of Bulletin 90-02 is not applicable to the DAEC.

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This letter is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this /945 day of

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