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SAFETY INJECTION ISSUE MEETING

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to request a meeting with key NRC Staff personnel to discuss the technical and management issues associated with the Safety Injection (SI) system at the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 2 (HBR2). The SI issues of interest were initiated in the May 1987 time frame by a Westinghouse letter which questioned the adequacy of the post-LOCA (Loss of Coolant Accident) switchover times. In January 1988, a separate set of NRC questions on the SI pump automatic bus transfer (ABT) scheme led to single failure concerns, an extended plant shutdown, reanalysis, and ultimately to a modification which resulted in the "swing" SI pump becoming a maintenance replacement pump. Subsequent analytical and management issues have continued to keep the overall SI issue in the forefront of NRC-CP&L interactions. Due to the evolving, iterative nature of this highly complex issue, there has been some confusion over certain technical details and management actions.

Therefore, to promote a more complete understanding and expedite the resolution of any remaining SI issues, and to establish a consistent basis for resolution of any potential future issues, CP&L proposes to meet with key NRC Staff personnel from NRR Projects and Reactor Systems Branch, as well as appropriate Region II personnel, to lay out the analytical and management action chronology. Specific attendance of the NRR management from the Division of Reactor Projects - I/II and Reactor Systems Branch, plus the Region II management from their Division of Reactor Projects, is highly desirable. The ensuing discussion should allow a "baselining" of understanding and focus subsequent attention on specific, well-understood technical issues.

We propose that the subject meeting take place at the NRC offices in White Flint early in 1992, preferably late January/early February. If you have any questions or need any additional clarifying information, please contact Mr. R. W. Prunty at (919) 546-7318.

Yours very truly,

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