



November 2, 2016  
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
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Fort Calhoun Station, Unit No. 1  
Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-40  
NRC Docket No. 50-285

References:

1. NRC Generic Letter 2016-01, "Monitoring of Neutron-Absorbing Materials in Spent Fuel Pools," dated April 7, 2016 (NRC-16-0033)(ML16097A169)
2. Letter from USNRC (S. Bloom) to OPPD (T. Patterson) Fort Calhoun Station. Unit No. 1 - Amendment No. 155 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-40 (TAC No. M85116), dated August 12, 1993 (NRC-93-0292)
3. Letter from OPPD (W. Gates) to USNRC (DCD), "Application for Amendment to Operating License," dated May 20, 1996 (LIC-96-0070)
4. Letter from USNRC (L. Wharton) to OPPD (S. Gambhir), Fort Calhoun Station Unit No. 1 – Amendment No. 182 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-40 (TAC No. M95551), dated November 24, 1997 (NRC-97-0220)

**Subject: Response to Generic Letter 2016-01, "Monitoring of Neutron Absorbing Materials in Spent Fuel Pools", Response to NRC Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f).**

On April 7, 2016, the NRC issued Reference 1 to all power reactor licensees except those that have permanently ceased operation with all power reactor fuel removed from on-site spent fuel pool storage.

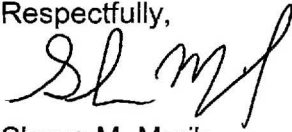
The purpose of this letter is to provide a response for Omaha Public Power District's (OPPDPs) Fort Calhoun Station (FCS), Unit 1. FCS has been determined to be a Category 3 licensee in accordance with reference 1. As a Category 3 licensee, FCS received an approval from the NRC for a license amendment request in reference 2 that includes a Technical Specification (TS) change for the neutron absorber monitoring program. The Amendment request that proposed the monitoring program included an error in the associated TS surveillance page. A part of the surveillance from the previous neutron absorber monitoring program was accidentally carried forward to the new spent fuel pool racks. This error was submitted for correction in reference 3 and approved in reference 4.

FCS affirms that no changes have been made to the neutron absorbing material monitoring program as described in the reference 2 license amendment safety evaluation report.

This letter contains no regulatory commitments. If you should have further questions, please contact Mr. Bradley H. Blome, Manager – Site Regulatory Assurance, at 402-533-7270.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on November 2, 2016.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shane M. Marik', written in a cursive style.

Shane M. Marik  
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