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SUBJECT: Suppl to 790105 ltr. Informs of intent to justify unlimited purging of containment during operation. Evaluation to be completed 790801. Number & duration of purges will be minimized. No interim limit on purging established.

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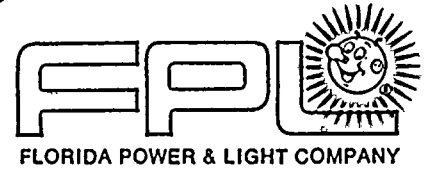
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. R. W. Reid, Chief
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Reid:

Re: St. Lucie Unit 1
Docket No. 50-335
Containment Purging

This letter is submitted in response to your letter of November 29, 1978, and is a follow-up to Florida Power & Light Company letter L-79-3 of January 5, 1979.

We plan to pursue Option (3) of your November 29 letter, namely to justify unlimited purging of containment during operation. Under the present schedule, we will complete our evaluation by August 1, 1979. Our review to date indicates that the evaluation will justify unlimited purging, without requiring any facility modifications.

Although we plan to justify unlimited purging of containment during operation, we intend to continue our current practice of minimizing the number and duration of purges. As a result of this practice, the majority of containment purging is performed when the plant is at or below the hot standby condition.

Based on the foregoing information, and on the fact that an unwarranted restriction on containment purging would have a negative effect on the working environment in containment, we have not established an interim limit on purging. We will review our containment purging practices again when we have completed our evaluation.

Very truly yours,

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