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Gentlemen:

Re: St. Lucie Unit 1
Docket No. 50-335
Generic Implications and Resolution of
CEA Failure at Maine Yankee

By letter dated September 10, 1990, Florida Power and Light (FPL) provided to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff a description of its proposed testing program for the seventeen old-style, high exposure CEAs resident in the St. Lucie Unit 1 Cycle 10 reactor core.

By letter dated October 17, 1990, the staff provided its concurrence with FPL's proposed test program, but stated that the scope of the program should be expanded to include all twenty old-style CEAs in the Unit 1 core, rather than the seventeen having high exposures.

FPL has completed its first verification of the structural integrity of the old-style CEAs in the Unit 1 core. This testing was performed on October 28, 1990, and included all twenty old-style CEAs in accordance with the staff's request. No problems were encountered in the performance of the test.

Should you have any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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