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RE: St. Lucie Unit 1
Docket No. 50-335
In-Service-Inspection Plan
Second Ten-Year Interval
Interim Relief Request 20-Supplement

On October 4, 1996, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a (a)(3), Florida Power and Light Company (FPL) requested approval of Interim Relief Request 20. Interim Relief Request 20 was submitted by FPL letter, L-96-246. The interim relief requested approval of a temporary non-code repair of the ASME Class 3 containment cooling unit coil, HVS-1B. In Attachment B of our letter, the discussion of the augmented inspection stated that the structural integrity of the temporary repair would be assessed periodically during the normally scheduled containment anomaly inspections; and that the containment anomaly inspections were typically performed once every two weeks.

FPL has revised the schedule for the periodic containment anomaly inspections to, nominally, once per month. The containment anomaly inspection interval change was made primarily in the interest of maintaining personnel radiation exposure ALARA.

The associated increase in the augmented inspection interval for containment cooling unit coil HVS-1B has been evaluated and determined acceptable for the following reasons: 1) No leakage has been identified since the temporary non-code repair was implemented approximately three months ago, and 2) the integrated component cooling water surge tank makeup and the containment sump level are periodically monitored and recorded by Operations personnel. Therefore, the augmented inspection interval change will have no impact on fulfilling the purpose of the augmented inspections described in the relief request.

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This letter contains no new regulatory commitments. It only provides notification to the NRC of a periodicity change for the routine containment anomalies inspection which was mentioned in the subject relief request.

Please contact us if there are any questions about this submittal.

Very truly yours,

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