June 24, 1997

Florida Power and Light Company ATTN: Mr. T. F. Plunkett President - Nuclear Division P. O. Box 14000 Juno Beach, FL 33408-0420

SUBJECT: ALLEGATION NO. RII-97-A-0129

Dear Mr. Plunkett:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission recently received information concerning activities at your St. Lucie facility. A description of the concern is enclosed.

As discussed via telephone on June 18, 1997, between Mr. J. Scarola of your staff and Mr. M. Lesser of my staff, we request that you conduct inspections or investigations as necessary to reasonably prove or disprove these concerns and request that you inform us within 45 days of the date of this letter of the resolution of this matter and make records of your completed action available for NRC inspection. In your response you should address the actions taken or planned to assure that there is no chilling effect on plant employees.

NRC's review of your response will include whether: (a) the individual conducting the investigation was independent of the organization affected by the concern: (b) the evaluator was competent in the specific functional area; (c) the evaluation was of sufficient depth and scope: (d) appropriate root causes and generic implications were considered if the concerns were substantiated; and (e) the corrective actions, if necessary; were sufficient.

We request that your response only be sent to the author of this letter with no other copies to the NRC. Please do not submit your response to the Document Control Desk. If your response contains personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information, such information shall be contained in a separate attachment, appropriately marked, so that it will not be subject to public disclosure. The affidavit required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) must accompany your response if proprietary information is included.

The enclosure to this letter should be controlled and distribution limited to personnel with a "need to know."

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact. Mr. Oscar DeMiranda, Enforcement and Investigation Coordination Staff, at (404) 562-4424.

## Sincerely,

Orig signed by Jon P. Johnson

Jon R. Johnson. Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: As stated

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