

April 11, 1994

Docket No. 50-244

Dr. Robert C. Mecredy  
Vice President, Nuclear Production  
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Dear Dr. Mecredy:

SUBJECT: R. E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER STATION - THIRD 10-YEAR INSERVICE  
INSPECTION PROGRAM RELIEF REQUESTS 25 AND 26 (TAC NOs. M88416  
AND M88417)

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The NRC staff, with the assistance of its contractor Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, reviewed the subject requests for relief and concluded in the enclosed Safety Evaluation, along with the attached Technical Evaluation Summary, that the alternatives in Relief Requests 25 and 26 will provide an acceptable level of quality and safety if an additional surface examination, as proposed, is performed on the root pass of the weld. Therefore, pursuant to paragraph 50.55a(3)(i) of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR 50.55a(3)(i)), the proposed alternatives contained in both requests for relief are authorized for the 1994 refueling outage.

Sincerely,  
Original signed by:  
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