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leak rate testing in accordance w/860131,870109 & 0211

requests for exemption & Tech Spec change.

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OPERATING LICENSE NPF-21, REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION/TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE

APPENDIX J AND SECTION 4.6.1.2.d, CLARIFICATION

Reference;

- 1) Letter, GO2-86-119, GC Sorensen to EG Adensam, same subject, dated 1/31/86
- 2) Letter, GO2-87-004, GC Sorensen to EG Adensam, same subject, dated 1/9/87
- 3) Letter, GO2-87-047, GC Sorensen to Document Control Desk, same subject, dated 2/11/87

The reference letters requested an Exemption and Technical Specification change related to 10CFR 50, Appendix J, Type B and C leak rate testing and provided information in support of that request. In subsequent telephone conversations with the Staff, the Supply System was requested to provide supplemental clarification regarding compensatory measures the Supply System is willing to take to offset the potential increase from 24 to 27 months time interval between leak rate testing.

In the spirit of cooperation, and in an effort to provide the Staff a level of inspection considerably more conservative than that presently allowed under Federal Regulations the Supply System will commit to performing Appendix J, Type B&C leak rate testing in accordance with the reference letters and as supplemented below:

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- a) Following each operating cycle refueling outage and prior to restart, the total as-left type B&C leakage shall not exceed $0.5L_a$.
- b) Additionally, if at any time during an operating cycle the as-left leakage total following maintenance exceeds $0.5L_a$, all type B&C containment penetrations shall be tested during the next shutdown for refueling.

It is our understanding that this will be acceptable to the Staff. Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. P. L. Powell, Manager, WNP-2 Licensing.

Very truly yours,

for

G. C. Sorensen, Manager Regulatory Programs

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