

August 29, 1994

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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC BULLETIN 93-03, "RESOLUTION OF ISSUES RELATED TO
REACTOR VESSEL WATER LEVEL INSTRUMENTATION IN BWRs," FOR WASHINGTON
PUBLIC POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM NUCLEAR PROJECT NO. 2 (WNP-2)
(TAC NO. M86915)

Dear Mr. Parrish:

We acknowledge receipt of your responses, dated July 26, 1993 (G02-93-190) and August 18, 1994 (G02-94-0197), to NRC Bulletin (NRCB) 93-03. The NRCB was issued May 28, 1993, to all holders of operating licenses or construction permits for boiling-water reactors (BWRs) with the exception of Millstone 1 and Big Rock Point. The NRCB requested licensees to take short-term compensatory measures within 15 days of the NRCB to ensure operators can identify and mitigate potential level errors. The NRCB also requested licensees to implement hardware modifications at the first cold shutdown after July 30, 1993, to ensure the level instrumentation system design is of high functional reliability for long-term operation.

Your responses stated that you have (1) implemented appropriate short-term compensatory measures, (2) installed a reference leg backfill system to address the hardware modification, (3) determined that the modification does not involve an unreviewed safety question, and (4) implemented the change under 10 CFR 50.59.

Based on the information in your letter, we consider your response to NRCB 93-03 acceptable for closeout of the licensing action. The NRC staff has inspected your implementation of the actions related to the NRCB. Closeout of any remaining actions will be completed through the inspection program.

This completes the licensing action for TAC No. M86915.

Sincerely,

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