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Docket Nos.: 50-528, 50-529
and 50-530

APPLICANT: Arizona Public Service Company

FACILITY: Palo Verde, Units 1, 2 and 3

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MEETING TO DISCUSS SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION OF PALO VERDE REVIEW

A meeting was held November 16, 1982 in Bethesda, Maryland to discuss the schedule for completion of the Palo Verde OL review. Attendees for the meeting are listed in Enclosure 1. The meeting is summarized as follows.

CESSAR Review

Both the applicant and Combustion Engineering (CE) expressed concern with the status, and schedule for completion, of the CESSAR review. (Palo Verde Unit 1 is the first CESSAR plant.) They stated that since the issuance of the CESSAR SER in November 1981, there has been no formal feedback from the staff on the information that CE has provided on all the open and confirmatory items for CESSAR. They were also concerned about the lack of a full time NRC project manager (PM) on CESSAR and that the date for issuing Revision 1 to the CESSAR SER had been delayed to March 1983.

We stated that we understood their concerns and that we are focussing our attention on them. We indicated that we expected to name a full time PM on CESSAR shortly who would follow-up on these matters and look into the CESSAR review status and schedule. We also stated that we planned on updating the CESSAR SER prior to March 1983 to reflect those issues which have been resolved and identify any which are still outstanding.

Construction Completion for Palo Verde Unit 1

The applicant had previously informed us that its schedule date for Unit 1 fuel load was August 1983. At the meeting, the applicant indicated that it is considering a fuel load date of May 1983. Construction activities are currently behind by about a month in meeting the May 1983 date.

Potential Relief Requests

The applicant indicated that it is currently assessing the status of completing certain installation activities. Because of delays in deliveries, some items may not be ready by fuel load. As a result, the applicant wanted to discuss with the staff the possibility of requesting relief from completing the installation of some items on Unit 1 until prior to a decision on issuing

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a full power license. We indicated that any relief requests must include a showing of good cause for the relief sought along with an evaluation of the safety implications and any compensating measures to be provided to minimize those effects. The applicant indicated that after it completes its assessment (by the end of the year), it will determine whether relief is needed. If so, it will submit a request for relief accordingly.

Other Items

The applicant indicated that the independent review of Palo Verde by Torrey Pines was nearing completion and that a report by Torrey Pines would be submitted by the end of November 1982. We indicated that we would want a presentation by Torrey Pines on the results of its review after the staff has had an opportunity to review the report.

The applicant indicated that the training program for Unit 1 operators is progressing with 31 candidates and that 29 are nearly ready for NRC examinations. These examinations are tentatively scheduled for early 1983.

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Enclosure:
Meeting Attendees

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