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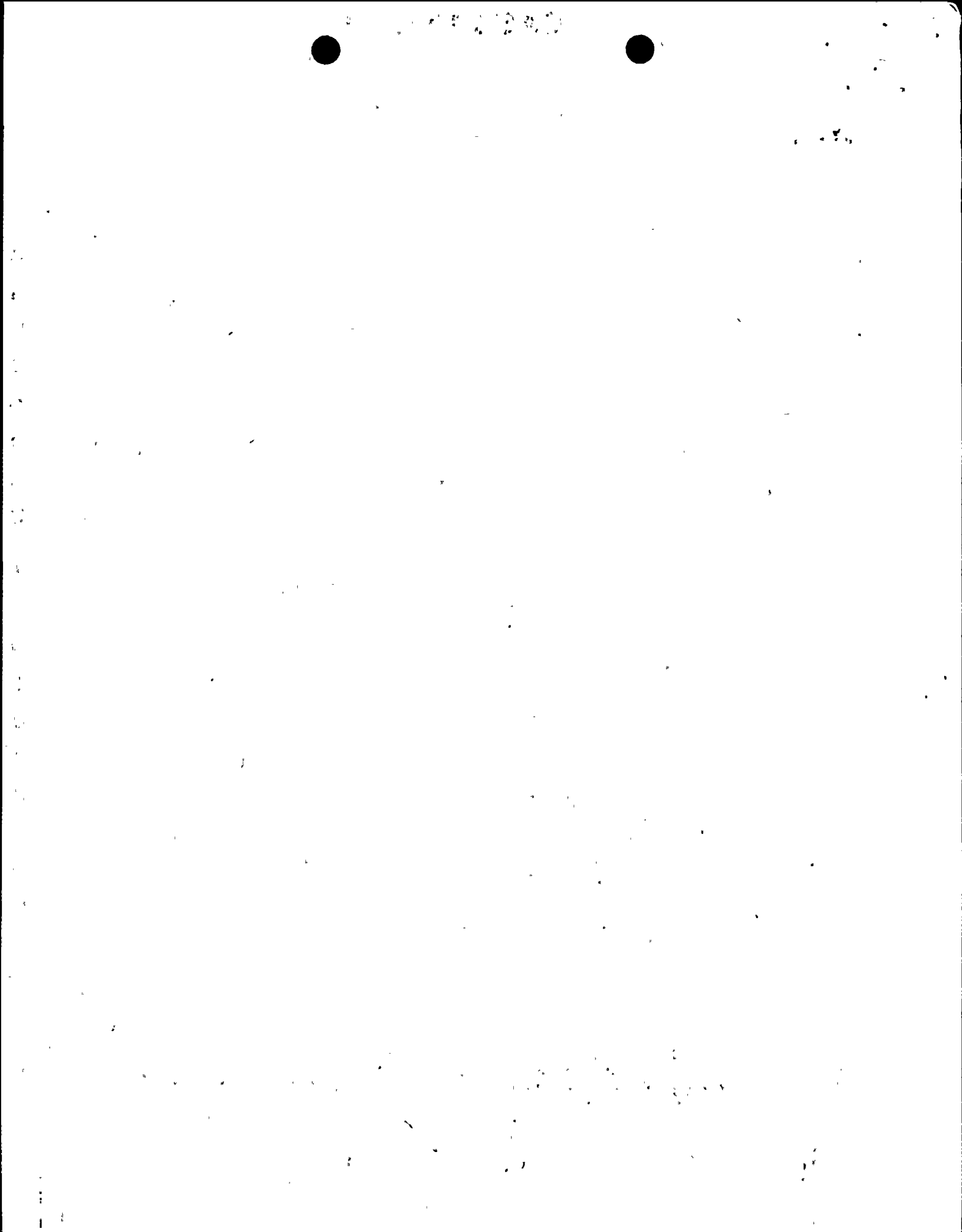
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RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
REGARDING REFUELING OPERATIONS DECAY TIME

This letter and its attachments constitute a response to the August 11, 1997, NRC facsimile request for additional information regarding our submittal AEP:NRC:1202, dated November 16, 1994. Our original submittal requested a change in the minimum decay time required after shutdown for movement of irradiated fuel from the core to storage in the spent fuel pool. Attachment 1 serves as our response to questions 1 through 3. The responses are contained in a report prepared for us by HOLTEC International. Attachment 2 is our response to question 4.

Approval of this submittal is required to support the unit 2 5% power uprate (AEP:NRC:1223).

Sincerely,

E. E. Fitzpatrick
Vice President

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THIS 19th DAY OF AUGUST, 1997

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RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS 1 THROUGH 3
REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
REGARDING REFUELING OPERATIONS DECAY TIME