



August 4, 1980 L-80-256

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director, Region II Office of Inspection and Enforcement U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 101 Marietta Street, Suite 3100 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Re: RII:NE

50-250/80-20 50-251/80-17

Florida Power & Light Company has reviewed the subject inspection report and a response is attached.

There is no proprietary information in the report.

Very truly yours,

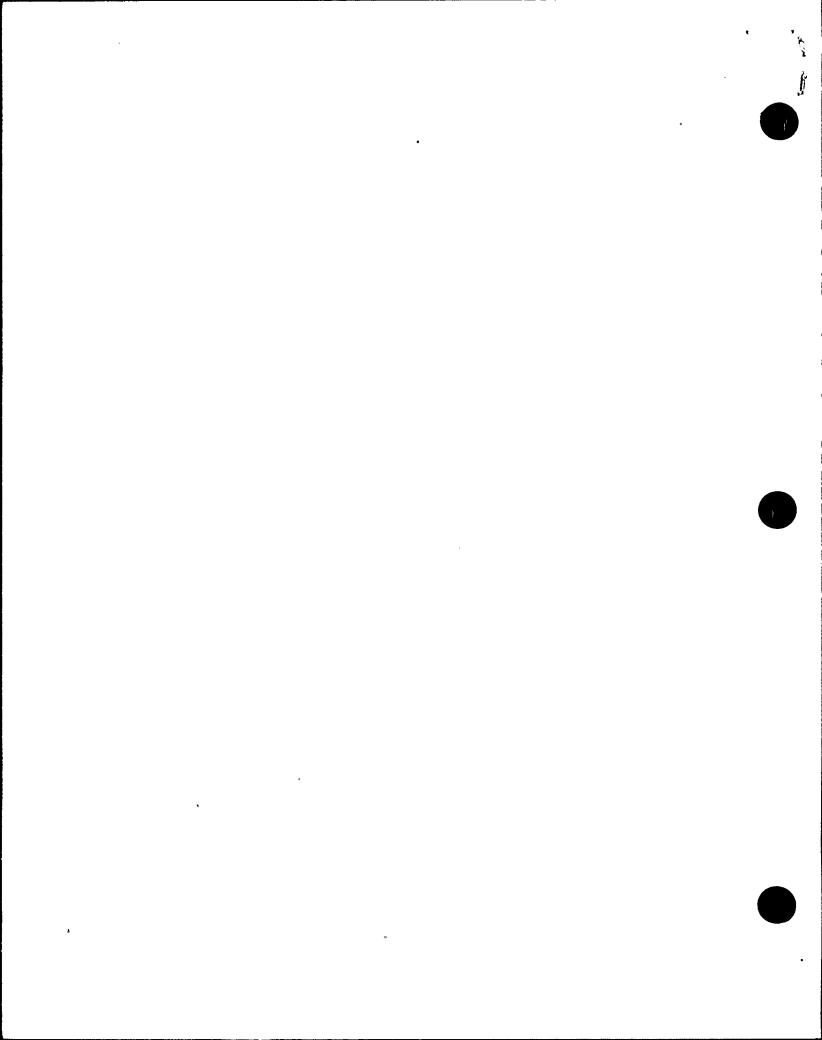
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FINDING:

As required by Criterion V of Appendix B to 10 CFR 50, and implemented by FPL Topical FPLTQAR 1-76. Section 5, paragraph 5.1 specifies in part that activities affecting quality shall be accomplished in accordance with instructions, procedures, or drawings. Paragraph 8.2 of specification 5177-M-53 Appendix 13 "Welding Filler Material Requirements", states in part that at the end of each shift, or after 12 hours whichever is less, unused filler material shall be returned to the rod room and processed per Table 2.

Contrary to the above, between June 3 and 4, 1980, two (2) instances were identified where the aforementioned procedural requirements were not being followed.

- (1) In the lower residual heat removal (RHR) heat exchanger room of Unit 3 the inspector observed 26 weld electrodes of 1/8" 7018 low hydrogen material in an area where no welding was in progress.
- (2) At the work area of Unit 4 steam generator "C" feedwater nozzle, craft had left the work station at the end of their work shift without returning the unused weld electrodes to the rod room. Electrodes were observed resting on various locations of this work station and inside a portable warmer.

RESPONSE:

Corrective action consisted of immediate destruction of the weld rods. To prevent recurrence, the following steps have been taken:

1) written instructions, which give precise details on how to implement the requirements of specification 5177-M-53 for low hydrogen flux covered weld rod, have been issued for use by contractor welders,

2) whenever a welder is issued low hydrogen flux covered weld rod for a job he will also be issued an individual rod warmer,

3) each individual welder will discard used rod in a burnt rod discharger pail.