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Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region 1
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Dear Mr. Grier:

FIRE PROTECTION PROGRAM
NO. 1 AND 2 UNITS
SALEM NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION
DOCKET NOS. 50-272 AND 50-311

Your letter of May 5, 1981 indicated that the final engineering verification of the Salem fire protection analysis and corrective actions was to have been completed by June 5, 1981. Subsequently, in a letter dated May 20, 1981, we indicated that this verification was scheduled to be completed by July 15, 1981, due to the impact of the recent site fire protection review.

The review time has been further lengthened due to consideration of new criteria identified as a result of the recent site review. We have undertaken a complete review of the fire protection analysis for the purpose of providing a clear, concise report. This effort involves preparation of approximately 190 new drawings for the report, which covers both Salem 1 and 2. Additionally, the review time has been somewhat lengthened as a result of limited plant access during field checks due to operation of the Salem units.

While we are making every effort to complete the effort by July 15, 1981, we request that the completion date be extended to July 31, 1981, as a contingency to provide for any additional corrective actions that could develop during the final stages of our review.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



CC Mr. Leif Norrholm
Senior Resident Inspector

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