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**Nuclear Department** 

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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 7920 Norfolk Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Attention: Mr. Steven A. Varga, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch 1

Division of Licensing

## Gentlemen:

STATUS REPORT REACTOR VESSEL LEVEL INSTRUMENTATION TMI ACTION ITEM II.F.2 NO. 1 AND 2 UNITS SALEM GENERATING STATION DOCKET NOS. 50-272 AND 50-311

As requested by Messrs. T. Hwang and L. Phillips of the NRC staff, PSE&G hereby submits a status report on the Reactor Vessel Level Instrumentation System (RVLIS).

The Unit 1 RVLIS has been installed, tested, and calibrated. Scaling, calibration, and heat-up data correspond to expected values and the system functions within the specified design tolerances. The Unit 2 RVLIS has also been installed. Scaling is nearing completion, and the heat-up data are being analyzed. Test results will be made available for NRC inspection.

Three field design changes are being made to the Unit 1 RVLIS: Capacitors are being added to the microprocessor unit to resolve hardware difficulties identified during testing; this change was made to the Unit 2 system during the past outage. Bypass valves are being removed from the differential pressure transmitters, since Westinghouse has determined that calibration of the d/p transmitters can be accomplished without the valves; this change has already been made on Unit 2. Upon receipt of Westinghouse Procedure NSID-EIS-83-08, a design change will be issued to upgrade the seismic design and to incorporate human factors modifications. We anticipate completing the first two changes to the Unit 1 RVLIS in September

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dhat oll 1983. We will provide a schedule for the third modification to both units when we have reviewed Westinghouse's recommendations.

Westinghouse will declare the Unit 1 RVLIS operational when the three field design changes have been completed. We will provide an update on the Unit 2 RVLIS when the review of the test data is complete.

Draft Emergency Operating Procedures (EOPs) have been written based on the NRC-approved Westinghouse Emergency Response Guidelines. The EOPs are currently being reviewed by Engineering. We anticipate that this review will be complete by August 15, 1983, and that procedure walk-through will take place during that week.

A draft technical specification to include the inadequate core cooling instrumentation has been prepared and is being reviewed. We anticipate that a License Change Request will be submitted to the NRC in September 1983.

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

Very truly yours,

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