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Gentlemen:

LER 311/96-002-00 SALEM GENERATING STATION - UNIT 2 FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-75 DOCKET NO. 50-311

This Licensee Event Report entitled "Waste Gas Decay Tank Oxygen Concentration Exceeded Technical Specifications Limit" is being submitted pursuant to the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i)(B).

Sincerely

David F. Garchow General Manager -Salem Operations

Attachment

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## Attachment A

The following item represents the commitments that Public Service Electric & Gas (PSE&G) made to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) relative to this LER (311/96-002-00). The commitments are as follows:

- 1. Oxygen concentration levels were restored to Technical Specifications requirements at Unit 2.
- 2. Oxygen concentration levels will be restored at Unit 1 expeditiously in accordance with the maintenance schedule currently being developed. This LER will be supplemented when oxygen levels are restored.
- 3. The problems with this Technical Specification have been communicated to the operating crews. Isolation of waste gas from all holdup tanks, if oxygen levels exceed 4 percent, will be carefully evaluated since such action may cause uncontrolled release of waste gas into the Auxiliary Building. If isolation of all waste gas is not practical, the tank with the high oxygen levels will be isolated and purged, and another tank will be placed in service, as described in the UFSAR. If this occurs prior to a change to the Technical Specifications, a supplement to this LER will be submitted.
- 4. Operations Management has emphasized the need to comply with the intent and the exact wording of the Technical Specifications, and to immediately address any issues where the intent and the wording are in conflict.
- 5. A request to resolve Technical Specification 3.11.2.5 administrative/wording problems will be submitted by August 15, 1996.