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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. Don K. Davis, Acting Chief
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Division of Operating Reactors

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Mr. Davis:

Re: St. Lucie Unit 1
Docket No. 50-335

Steam Generator & Reactor Coolant Pump

Support Materials

Your letter of September 14, 1977 requested information relative to fracture toughness and lamellar tearing potential for steam generator and reactor coolant pump supports. This request stems from concerns related to the fracture toughness of A572 steel at the specified operating temperature.

The St. Lucie #1 steam generator and reactor coolant pump supports do not utilize A572 steel. Further, the St. Lucie facility is located in southern Florida, thus there is little likelihood of support materials experiencing temperatures low enough to cause a toughness concern.

The following is a list of steam generator and reactor coolant pump support material used at St. Lucie Unit #1.

<u>Items</u>		<u>Materials</u>	Toughness C _V -ft-1bs	Values Temp °F	
1)	Structural shapes and plate	A-441	15	10	
2)	Weld metal	Low hydrogen E70XX series	118	10	
3)	Bolts, nuts & pins	A-193-B7, A-194- Group 7	63	60	
4)	Plates	A-36	15	30	
5)	Studs & nuts	A-307 (A-36)	15	. 30	
6)	Anchor bolts	A-490 (4140 or 4150)	40	40	
7)	Bolts	A-325	40	60	

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Ī	tems	<u>Materials</u>		Values Temp °F
8) Clevis	A-515 GR.65	15	30
9) Steam gen. support casting	A-27 GR.70-40	40	0
1	0)Embedded keys	A-533 CL.2 GR.B	50	34
1	l)Clevis	A-387 GR.D	15	10

The fracture toughness properties for the above materials were developed based on available test data and various publications, and from discussions with manufacturers.

The data for these materials were conservatively compared and found to be equal to or superior than the fracture toughness properties of A-36 steel.

Other miscellaneous parts are made of AISI 1018, 1020, 1117 and 0.15% carbon free machining steel. These steels are of similar composition but lower carbon content than A-36 steel. It is a recognized property of steel that the notch toughness increases as carbon content decreases. Hence, the fracture toughness properties of these miscellaneous steels are also equal to or superior than A-36 steel.

Based on the above, we do not believe that the generic concern identified by your September 14, 1977 letter is relevant to the St. Lucie design. Accordingly, this letter is considered to be responsive to your information request.

Very truly yours,

Robert E. Uhrig Vice President

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