

July 8, 1988

Docket No. 50-280

Mr. D. S. Cruden
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Dear Mr. Cruden:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM HYDROSTATIC TEST REQUIRED BY
ASME SECTION XI REQUIREMENTS, SURRY POWER STATION
UNIT 1 (TAC NO. 66449)

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By letter dated October 6, 1987, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a, paragraph (g)(5), you requested relief from a hydrostatic test required by Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (ASME Code) for Surry Unit 1. We have reviewed your request and based on our review we have concluded that the relief may be granted as requested. The enclosed Safety Evaluation provides the details and conclusions of our review.

For the relief that has been granted, we have determined that the ASME Code Section XI requirements are impractical to perform and that pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i), the relief is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest, giving due consideration to the burden upon the licensee that could result if the requirements were imposed on the facility.

The request for relief complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (the Act), as amended and the Commission's rules and regulations. Thus, the Commission, having made the appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter 1, approves your request for relief.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

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