

UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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Mr. James F. Mallay Manager, Licensing Babcock & Wilcox P. O. Box 1260 Lynchburg, Virginia 24505

Dear Mr. Mallay:

The regulatory staff has completed its review of Babcock & Wilcox Topical Report BAW-10013, dated December 1971, and entitled "Study of Intergranular Separations in Low Alloy Steel Heat-Affected Zones Under Austenitic Stainless Steel Weld Cladding" with revised pages 2-1, 2-2, 2-3, 5-3 and 5-4 dated February 15, 1972. A summary of our review is enclosed for your information.

As a result of our review we have concluded that Topical Report BAW-10013 as revised February 15, 1972, will be acceptable by reference in applications for construction permits and operating licenses.

Sincerely,

R. C. DeYoung, Assistant Director for Pressurized Water Reactors

Directorate of Licensing

Enclosure: Topical Report Evaluation

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