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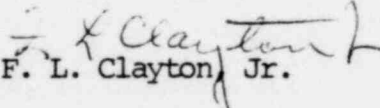
Docket 50-364

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II
101 Marietta Street, N. W.
Suite 3100
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

In response to IE Bulletin 79-18, Audibility Problems
Encountered on Evacuation of Personnel From High-Noise Areas,
Alabama Power Company submits the attached.

Yours very truly,


F. L. Clayton, Jr.

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Attachment

cc: Mr. R. A. Thomas
Mr. G. F. Trowbridge
Office of I&E-Divn. of Reactor Operations Inspection
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ATTACHMENT

FNP, Unit 1, was in an extended refueling outage until November 21, 1979. Between November 22 and December 7, 1979, plant personnel performed an audible check of the Plant Emergency Evacuation Alarm. The containment was checked while the unit was in mode 3. The Auxiliary Building and rest of the plant site was checked while the unit was in mode 1. The check of the Plant Emergency Evacuation Alarm revealed numerous areas in containment and throughout the plant site where the alarm could not be heard by plant personnel.

Visual Plant Emergency Evacuation Alarm Systems are not installed at FNP. The Plant Emergency Evacuation Alarm is carried over the Public Address System.

Alabama Power Company will implement design correction measures on an expedited basis. Implementation will begin as soon as design and materials are available. Inaccessible areas will be corrected at the first refueling outage following receipt of design and materials (anticipated to be October 1980).

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