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April 22, 1979

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
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Subject: Crystal River Unit No. 3
Docket No. 50-302
Operating License No. DPR-72
IE Bulletin 79-05B

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This letter is to advise you of the action taken by Florida Power Corporation in response to Item 3 of IE Bulletin 79-05B dated April 21, 1979. Specifically, this action includes:

- 1) On Saturday, April 21, 1979, the Plant Review Committee (PRC) met and reviewed IE Bulletin 79-05B and the B&W recommendations received April 21, 1979. As a result of this meeting, SP-112, Calibration of the Reactor Protection System, has been revised and implemented lowering the high pressure reactor trip setpoint from 2355 psig to 2300 psig.
- 2) In lieu of raising the setpoint of the PORV from 2255 psig to 2450 psig as discussed in the subject bulletin and B&W letter, Florida Power Corporation has isolated the PORV by closing the PORV isolation valve (block valve). This action was discussed with Mr. Reid, Mr. Grimes and Mr. Moseley of the NRC and found acceptable as an interim action by Florida Power Corporation, as we are scheduled to shut down Crystal River #3 on Monday morning, April 23, 1979, for normal plant refueling. Prior to startup following this refueling outage, the setpoint of the PORV will be changed from 2255 psig to 2450 psig.

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This action has been reviewed and analyzed by B&W and does not constitute an unreviewed safety question as no credit was taken for PORV actuation during the transients analyzed. Furthermore, these changes are predicted to decrease the likelihood of automatic actuation of the pressurizer PORV and will not result in increased frequency of pressurizer safety valve operation during these anticipated transients.

Florida Power Corporation is continuing its review of the overall pressurizer operation during various transients and will advise you of our findings once this review is complete.

If you require any clarification of the actions taken by Florida Power Corporation, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION

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