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W. P. STEWART, DIRECTOR  
POWER PRODUCTION

July 21, 1978

Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

SUBJECT: Crystal River Unit 3  
Docket No. 50-302  
Operating License No. DPR-72

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are three (3) originals and forty (40) copies of Technical Specification Change Requests No. 31 and 32 requesting amendment to Appendix A of Operating License No. DPR-72. As part of this request, proposed replacement pages for Appendix A are enclosed.

Technical Specification Change Request No. 31 addresses the removal of the Orifice Rod Assemblies (ORA's) from Crystal River Unit No. 3. This change request is supported by Revision 1 to the Babcock & Wilcox report BAW-1490, Licensing Considerations for Continued Cycle 1 Operation Without Burnable Poison Rod Assemblies and Orifice Rod Assemblies, which was submitted under separate cover on this date. On June 6, 1978, Florida Power Corporation (FPC) submitted Technical Specification Change Request No. 29, which addressed removal of the Burnable Poison Rod Assemblies (BPRA's) from the CR #3 reactor. Change Request No. 29 was supported by the Babcock & Wilcox report BAW-1490, Licensing Considerations for Continued Cycle 1 Operation Without Burnable Poison Rod Assemblies. The changes requested to the CR #3 Technical Specifications in Request No. 29 are still applicable and should be acted upon by the NRC. However, the supporting document for these changes is now Revision 1 to BAW-1490 instead of the original BAW-1490 report. Both Change Request No. 29 and 31 are related to the same safety issue (recent anomalous mechanical behavior of the BPRA/ORA latching mechanism) and are supported by Revision 1 to BAW-1490. FPC considers Amendment Requests No. 29 and 31 to be a Class III amendment per 10 CFR 170.22 as they involve the same single safety issue. Therefore, the licensing fee, in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), submitted on June 6, 1978, should be applied to Change Request No. 29 and 31.

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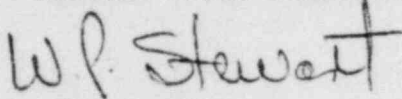
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Technical Specification Change Request No. 32 involves a new Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) concerning the Axial Power Shaping Rod Group as a result of the replacement of four fuel assemblies at CR #3. This change request is also supported by Revision 1 to the Babcock & Wilcox report BAW-1490 but involves a different safety issue. FPC considers Change Request No. 32 to be a Class III amendment per 10 CFR 170.22 as it involves a single safety issue. Enclosed is FPC's licensing fee, in the amount of four thousand dollars (\$4,000), for Change Request No. 32.

Also enclosed is one signed copy of Certificate of Service for Technical Specification Change Requests No. 31 and 32 to the Chief Executive of Citrus County, Florida.

Very truly yours,

FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION



W.P. Stewart

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

W.P. Stewart deposes and says that the following has been served on the Chief Executive of Citrus County, Florida, by deposit in the United States mail, addressed as follows:

Chairman, Board of County  
Commissioners of Citrus County,  
Citrus County Courthouse,  
Inverness, FL 32650

An original copy of Technical Specification Change Requests No. 31 and 32 requesting amendment to Appendix A of Operating License No. DPR-72.

FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION

W.P. Stewart  
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Director, Power Production

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 21st DAY OF JULY, 1978.

Charles R. B...  
Notary Public

Notary Public State of Florida at Large  
My Commission Expires: July 25, 1980

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