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Honorable Richard Stone Suite 200 B 2639 Monroe Street Tallahassee, Florida 32303 POOR ORIGINAL

Dear Senator Stone!

Thank you for your communication of February 5 transmitting a copy of Mark Gentry's recent letter to you; we appreciate having the opportunity to comment on it.

As you know, under the terms of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, the new Nuclear Regulatory Commission was established on January 19 and assumed the regulatory responsibilities of the former Atomic Energy Commission. The sole mission of the NRC is to assure that nuclear energy is used safely and in an environmentally compatible way.

Florida Power Corporation is building its Crystal River 3 Nuclear Plant on a site in Citrus County, Florida, under a construction permit issued by the former AEC in September 1968. At that time, the Corporation estimated that the plant would be completed and ready for fuel leading no later than June 1972. Since that time, a number of new fuel leading dates have been projected by the Corporation -- most recently in Becamber of last year when the fuel leading date was slipped from July 1975 to May 1976. The reason cited for this latest delay was a lack of construction funds to meet the July 1975 date.

We are enclosing copies of the Safety Evaluation Report and Final Environmental Statement prepared by the former AEC's Regulatory Staff in connection with Florida Power's application for a license to operate the Grystal River facility. In addition, we are enclosing a booklet "Licensing of Power Reactors" which describes the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's procedures for reviewing applications to build and operate nuclear power plants. While the booklet references the AEC, the procedures are those which have been adopted by the NRC.

We hope that this information will be helpful to you in replying to Mr. Gentry's letter; however, if you need additional information,

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please let us know. In the meantime, as you requested, we are returning your correspondence.

Sincerely,

(signed) Joseph J. Fouchard for

John A. Harris, Director Office of Public Affairs

Enclosures:

- 1. Safety Evaluation Report
- 2. Final Environmental Report
- 3. Licensing Booklet
- 4. Incoming letter from Mr. Gentry

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REPLY ... Richard (Dick) Stone Suite 200 B 2639 N. Monroe Street Tallahassee, Florida 32303 Mrited States Senate February 5, 1975 Respectfully referred to: Mr. John A. Harris, Director Office of Information Services Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D. C. 20545 Because of the desire of this office to be responsive to all inquiries and communications. your consideration of the attached is requested. Your findings and views, in duplicate form, along with return of the enclosure, will be appreciated by Rec'd Off. Dir. Date 2/11/75 2:00 db Richard (Dick) Stone 1735 Form #2

Dear Senator Stone

Ism writing to you about the delayed-construction of the Muclear nower plant on Crystal River in Florida. Ian in favor of the power plant. Right now the people need some way to save money and the power plant could save the people 12 times the money they are paying monthly on electric bills now. I also believe that it is completely safe. The cower plant in Pittsburgh, Penn. has been in obsertion since 1957, with no major problems. I have read that the Crystal River plant is 90% completed and was supposed to be done April of 1972. The "uclear Poter Plants should make us independent on Arab oil. Some people have had their power cut off because they could not pay their electric bill .- I really do not know enough of the other side of this story that is why would like you to send he any information you can get on the Nuclear Poler Plants also tell me if you are in favor of the on er plant.

Sincerly,

Mark Gentry

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