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SUBJ: NRC/IE Bulletin 79-03A: Longitudinal
Weld Defects in ASME SA-312, Type 304
Stainless Steel Pipe

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Ref: a) SLNRC 80-52 dtd. 11/26/80: Subj. as Above
b) SLNRC 80-38 dtd. 8/20/80: " " "

Dear Mr. Grier:

The reference letters provided interim responses to IE Bulletin 79-03A concerning the use or potential use of fusion-welded SA-312 Type 304 stainless steel pipe in Callaway 1 and Wolf Creek units. These responses indicated that fusion welded materials of the type described in the subject bulletin have not been used in piping systems or components furnished by the Lead A/E in which the design hoop stresses equal or exceed 85 percent of ASME allowable. Data concerning the use of these materials in nonpiping components furnished by the NSSS supplier and in replacement piping purchased directly by the Wolf Creek constructor were under examination at the time of the most recent, Ref. a) update. Since that time, we have completed our investigation and are able to report that none of these additional materials are either in use or scheduled for use in systems or components in which design hoop stresses equal or exceed the 85 percent code criteria.

If you have further questions in this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

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