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OFFICE OF MEANING EXAMINERS

Re: Florida Power Corporation Nuclear Generating Plant Docket No. 50-302

Dear Mr. Jensch:

I am United States Congressman William C. Cramer, and it gives me the greatest pleasure to publicly support the application of Florida Power Corporation for licenses to construct and operate a nuclear generating facility at its new Crystal River plant.

I am well acquainted with the officers of Florida Power Corporation and know that these men are of high integrity and dedication to the goals of their company and to the customers whom they serve. The management team of Florida Power, their engineering staffs, and the consultants and suppliers who will be directly involved in the design and construction of this nuclear facility are known and respected throughout the electrical industry. Their technical skill and qualifications are unsurpassed.

Florida Power has been vitally interested in community affairs since its inception in 1896, and their 2,600 employees actively participate in the business, civit, professional and social functions of the cities, towns, an' communities in which they live.

Among the company's objectives in maintaining their power facilities, some are directed toward beautification, community development, public relations, and conservation of natural resources.

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The Crystal River plant area is no exception. For example, a few years ago, the management of Florida Power made formal arrangements with the Audubon Society to create the plan. site as a sanctuary for American Bald Eagles, one of the few in the United States. I could recite several other examples of how Florida Power has made major contributions to our State, including the donation of an obsolete hydroelectric power station and lake to the State solely for recreational facilities for the general public.

Therefore, I am making this statement to fully endorse the company's application for licenses to construct and operate this nuclear facility. I am satisfied that the Atomic Energy Commission is protecting the public and that the operation of his nuclear facility will not in any way jeopardize the health or safety of the public.

In accordance with Section 2.715 of the Rules of the Atomic Energy Commission, it would appear to be in order for this letter to be made a part of the record of the hearing to be held on this matter.

Thank you very much.

-Cramer,

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