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Mr. Richard Snaider Generic Issues Branch U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Crystal River Unit 3

Docket No. 50-302

Operating License No. DPR-72

Dear Mr. Snaider:

This letter is in response to Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut's letter of May 19, 1980, requesting all power reactor licensees to provide review comments on NUREG-0577, and the NRC's decision to modify, significantly, the implementation plan presented in Section IV of NUREG-0577.

Florida Power Corporation's Crystal River Unit 3 nuclear facility has been in an extended outage situation, and our primary efforts have been involved in implementing those previously identified post-TMI-2 commitments and other safety-related concerns, in order to bring our nuclear unit back on-line. Consequently, we have not had sufficient time to analyze the new requirements contained in Mr. Eisenhut's letter, or to provide meaningful comments at this time.

We respectfully request an extension on the comment period until September 15, 1980, to permit our Operations and Engineering personnel adequate time to analyze the potential impact of these new requirements and to consult with our nuclear steam system supplier on this issue.

Your consideration in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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