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FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION STARTUP TESTING PROGRAM

Our Region II Office has identified an omission in the description of the Power Ascension Test Program for the Crystal River facility. Section 13.1.1 of the Crystal River FSAR commits to conformance to Regulatory Guide 1.68; however, Table 13-4 of the FSAR, which describes the Power Ascension Test Program, does not include the part length rod insertion and removal test included in Regulatory Guide 1.68, Appendix A in Section D.1.3. The licensee has stated that he does not intend to perform this test, since the induced power oscillation test was performed at Oconee Unit 1 and he considers Crystal River to be a similar plant. We are of the view that, as a minimum, the licensee should be required to demonstrate the adequacy of his procedures for controlling Xanon oscillations.

It is requested that you resolve this matter with the licensee, and either accept his specific justification for not performing the test, or require that he modify his FSAR to include it. Please advise us regarding your disposition of this matter. B. W. Hall of my staff is the cognizant IE individual.

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