



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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February 13, 1981

Docket No. 50-219  
LS05-81-02-024



Mr. I. R. Finfrock, Jr.  
Vice President - Jersey Central Power  
& Light Company  
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
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Dear Mr. Finfrock:

SUBJECT: FIRE PROTECTION - OYSTER CREEK

We have completed our review of your letter dated January 29, 1981, which requested a postponement of the installation of the alternate water supply tank for your fire protection system until November 17, 1981. Your letter indicated that you originally planned to decontaminate the existing torus water storage tank and utilize it as the alternate water supply tank for the fire protection system. You stated that based on work performed to date, you have determined that it is impractical to completely decontaminate the tank and, therefore, you have made a decision to erect a new tank.

In support of your request for a postponement, you indicated the following:

1. All other fire protection features described in Table 3.1 of the NRC Safety Evaluation Report (SER) have been implemented, except for the Remote Shutdown Capability which is being addressed in accordance with the requirements of Appendix R.
2. The existing water supply for fire protection consists of a manmade pond containing approximately 7 million gallons of water. The fire protection system is maintained pressurized by an electric driven pond pump. In the event fire water is needed there are two (2) diesel driven fire pumps that will start automatically upon sensing decreasing fire main pressure. To the best of your knowledge there is no single active failure which can completely disable the fire suppression water supply.
3. Existing technical specifications address the actions required for a loss of redundancy in the fire suppression water system and the actions required if no fire suppression water is available.

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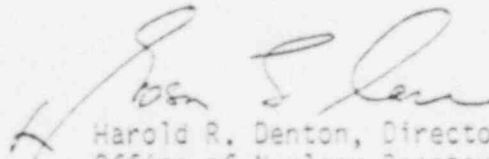
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Based on our review, we conclude that you have shown good cause for extending the completion date for installation of the alternate water supply tank until November 17, 1981, and that the public health and safety is not adversely affected by such extension. Accordingly, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.48(d) the date for installation of the alternate water supply tank is hereby extended to November 17, 1981.

A copy of the related Notice of Extension, which is being forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harold R. Denton", is written over the typed name and title.

Harold R. Denton, Director  
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Enclosure:  
Notice of Extension

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