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Attention: Mr. Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch No. 2

Division of Licensing

Subject: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant

Docket No. 50-333

Proposed Charge to the Technical Specifications
Relating to Safety/Relief Valve Setpoints

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are three (3) signed originals and nineteen (19) copies of a document entitled, "Application for Amendment to Operating Licensing", together with forty (40) copies of Attachments I and II thereto, comprising a statement of the proposed changes to the Technical Specifications and the associated Safety Evaluation.

This application seeks to amend Appendix A of the Operating License. The proposed change is in the stated number of some safety/relief valves. During a recent outage one of the 1140 psig valves was found inoperable and its topwork was replaced with a unit on hand. However, replacing the topwork reduced the setpoint of the value from 1140 psig to 1090 psig. Thus the total number of operable valves remained the same, but the relative number changed for two groups of the categories (setpoint at 1090 psig, two valves to three and setpoint 1140 psig, seven to six). The proposed change would correctly describe the distribution of valves. The original distribution will be restored during the next outage. The proposed change is shown in Attachment I and the results of a safety evaluation of the current distribution of valve setpoints is given in Attachment II.

The Authority has classified this application for amendment to the operating license as Class III. Enclosed is a check

in the amount of \$4,000 as the filing fee per 10CFR 170.22, which the Authority pays under protest pending a final determination of the legality of the fee schedule.

Very truly yours,

J. P. Bayne Senior Vice President Nuclear Generation