Docket No. 50-395

Mr. O. S. Bradham
Vice President, Nuclear Operations
South Carolina Electric & Gas Co.
Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station
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Dear Mr. Bradham:

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE TO REQUIREMENTS OF ASME SECTION III FOR THE V. C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1 (TAC 75953)

By letter of February 1, 1990, you requested approval for the use of Babcock & Wilcox steam generator plugs manufactured with an alternative material at the V. C. Summer Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1, (Summer Station). The alternative material is a nickel base alloy, ASME designation SB-166, UNS NO6690 (Alloy 690).

The staff has reviewed your request and supporting information and concludes that the use of Alloy 690 as a proposed alternative to the use of Alloy 660, in accordance with the requirements of the ISME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, will provide an acceptable level of quality and safety because it has superior corrosion resistant properties. Ise of Alloy 690 in this application is hereby authorized under the provisions of 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3) at the Summer Station.

Sincerely,

Ronnie Lo/for

Elinor G. Adensam, Director Project Directorate II-1 Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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