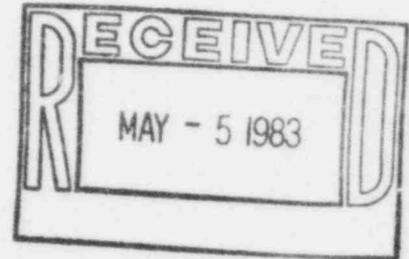




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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Operating Reactors Branch No. 2
Division of Licensing
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Mr. Domenic B. Vassallo, Chief

Subject: Proposed Change No. 3 to Facility Operating License -
Extension of Mark I Program Completion Date
Cooper Nuclear Station
NRC Docket No. 50-298, DPR-46

- Reference:
- 1) Letter from D. B. Vassallo to J. M. Pilant dated September 15, 1982, "Revision to Order for Modification of License"
 - 2) Letter from J. M. Pilant to J. T. Collins dated April 13, 1983, "Mark I Modification Welds Performed by Unqualified Welders"

Dear Mr. Vassallo:

Reference 1 revised the Cooper Nuclear Station Facility Operating License to include the following condition:

"Any plant modifications needed to assure that the facility conforms to the acceptance criteria contained in Appendix A of NUREG-0661 shall be designed and its installation shall be completed prior to the start of Cycle 9 at the completion of your 1983 refueling outage."

The 1983 refueling outage is presently scheduled to commence May 1, 1983, and conclude May 28, 1983.

Reference 2 (copy attached) recently informed the Staff of certain unacceptable welds needed to complete the Mark I Containment Program that were expected to be repaired by the end of the May, 1983, outage. Since these welds and certain additional welds performed in 1982 as part of the Mark I program implementation are still under evaluation and the extent of the corrective measures required is undefined at this time and may not be completed by

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May 28, 1983, the District is compelled to respectfully request a 90-day extension of the completion date specified in the above order. The order would then read as follows:

"Any plant modifications needed to assure that the facility conforms to the acceptance criteria contained in Appendix A of NUREG-0661 shall be designed and its installation shall be completed within 90 days of the start of Cycle 9."

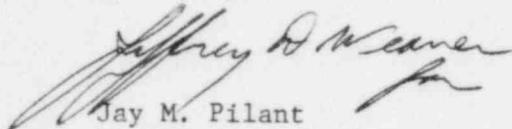
As stated in Reference 2, the District will forward a summary report to you after we have finished with the evaluation and corrective measures.

This change has been judged to be administrative in nature and payment for a Class II amendment in the amount of \$1,200 is submitted.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

In addition to three signed originals, 37 copies are also submitted for your use.

Sincerely,



Jay M. Pilant
Division Manager of
Licensing & Quality Assurance

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Attachment

cc: J. T. Collins
USNRC, Region IV