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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP)
Fire Barriers Manufactured By Thermal Ceramics, Inc.

Gentlemen:

On July 7, 1993, the NRC issued a letter to Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) entitled "Fire Barriers Manufactured By Thermal Ceramics, Inc." to notify SNC of NRC concerns related to FP-60 fire barrier systems manufactured by Thermal Ceramics. Per the NRC letter, Thermal Ceramics has informed the NRC that FP-60 fire barrier systems are installed in FNP Units 1 and 2. Based on the NRC's review of FP-60 fire barrier systems, the staff has developed a request for additional information (RAI) for FNP.

SNC has determined that FP-60 fire barrier systems are not installed in either Unit 1 or Unit 2 at FNP. Additionally, Thermal Ceramics indicated to SNC that they have sent a letter (dated 07/13/93) to the NRC that states the following: "(Note - in previous correspondence it was stated that Farley Plant used FP60. This was an error; they used Kaowool)". Therefore, the concerns expressed in the RAI do not apply to FNP, and no further action related to the RAI is considered necessary.

The information provided herein is true to the best of our knowledge and belief. If there are any questions relating to this information, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

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