

50-428

CF

APR 12 1982

Certified

Sherry C. H. C.

MEMORANDUM FOR: William V. Johnston, Assistant Director
for Materials & Qualifications Engineering
Division of Engineering

THRU: G.C. Laines, Assistant Director
for Safety Assessment
Division of Licensing

FROM: Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief
Operating Reactors Assessment Branch
Division of Licensing

SUBJECT: UPDATE OF ALMARAZ STEAM GENERATOR STATUS
AND OPERATION

This is a followup to the information presented in G. Laines' March 18, 1982, memo on Almaraz Unit 1. Mr. Jose Villadoniga of the Junta de Energia Nuclear, Spain, on temporary assignment to SEPB, called the Consejo Seguridad Nuclear (CSN) on April 2, 1982 concerning the status of Almaraz.

ECT of the steam generator tubes has been completed. As previously reported the utility has requested to operate Almaraz Unit 1 at 63% power (50% feedwater flow through the main feedwater nozzle and 13% through the auxiliary feedwater nozzles. The utilities' request is based on the recommendations in a report by Westinghouse. CSN believes that more detailed justification is required in the Westinghouse report before this recommendation for operation can be approved. CSN has requested further information from Westinghouse.

Regarding the previously plugged tubes, CSN is considering conversion to "leaking plugs" in order that incipient through wall tube degradation would be detected. Installation of tube stabilization devices has not been performed nor is planned.

Original Signed by

T. A. Ippolito

Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief
Operating Reactors Assessment Branch
Division of Licensing

Dupe of

8204260003

XA

cc: E. Case
D. Eisenhut
R. Vollmer

C. McCracken
V. Benaroya
J. Villadoniga
J. LaFleur

R. Tedesco
W. Hazelton

OFFICE	DL: ORAB/SL	DL: ORAB/BC	DL: AD/SA
SURNAME	KWichman: sah	Tipper: sah	GL: Laines
8204260003	4/8/82	4/8/82	4/8/82