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January 17, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: Ashok C. Thadani, Director Division of Systems Technology Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

FROM:

Frank J. Miraglia, Deputy Di.ector Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT:

TRANSFER OF THERMO-LAG TECHNICAL ISSUES

This memorandum is to inform you that the responsibility for followup review activities of the technical concern regarding Thermo-Lag and Thermal Science, Inc. will be transferred from the Special Review Team to the Plant Systems Branch effective January 31, 1992. A final report is being prepared by the Special Review Team that will include a list of the technical issues and the current status of each issue.

In preparation for the transfer of the technical issues to your staff, a meeting with the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) has been scheduled for January 21, 1992, 10:00 a.m., in Room 1 F 19. If available, I would like yourself. Conrad McCracken, Ralph Architzel and Pat Madden to be in attendance. The purpose of the meeting will be for the OIG to present background information on the investigation and to discuss areas where caution may be necessary when handling sensitive information.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Loren Plisco (504-2304/1013).

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Since the Special Review Team has completed their primary task, I recommend that the responsibility for followup review activities of the technical concerns be transferred to the Division of Systems Technology following your review of the attached report. In preparation for the transfer, a meeting was held on January 21, 1992, between the NRR technical staff and the Office of the Inspector General.

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The line organization that will be responsible for pursuing the Thermo-Lag issues is as follows:

Frank J. Miraglia, Deputy Director, NRR William T. Russell, Associate Director for Inspection and Technical Assessment Ashok Thadani, Director, Division of Systems Technology Conrad McCracken, Chief, Plant Systems Branch Ralph Architzel, Chief, Plant Systems Section Pat Madden, Senior Fire Protection Engineer

The review team is prepared to discuss any specific issues discussed in the report, if necessary.

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Enclosure: As stated

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