

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001 July 28, 1993

Mr. R. A. Copeland, Manager Product Licensing Siemens Power Corporation 2101 Horn Rapids Corporation P. O. Box 130 Richland, Wa. 99352-0130

Dear Mr. Copeland:

SUBJECT:

ACCEPTANCE FOR REFERENCING OF ULTRAFLOWTH SPACER ON 9x9-IX/X

BWR FUEL DESIGN

The staff has reviewed the request submitted by Siemens Power Corporation (SPC) by a letter dated February 26, 1993. This request provides the description and bases for incorporating the SPC ULTRAFLOW spacer into the 9x9-IX/9X BWR fuel design which was approved by the staff.

The staff finds the subject request to be acceptable for referencing in license applications to the extent specified and under the limitations delineated in the report and the NRC's associated technical evaluation. The evaluation defines the basis for accepting the request.

The staff will not repeat its review of matters described in the SPC request and will find acceptable, when referenced in license applications, except to ensure that the material presented applies to the plant involved. Our acceptance applies only to the matters described in the SPC request.

In accordance with procedures established in NUREG-0390, the staff requests that SPC publish accepted versions of this submittal, proprietary and non-proprietary, within 3 months of receiving this letter. The versions will incorporate this letter and the enclosed evaluation between the title page and the abstract. The accepted versions shall include an "A" (designating accepted) after the report identification symbol.

If our criteria or regulations change, such that our conclusions as to the acceptability of the report are invalidated, SPC and or the applicants referencing the topical report should revise and resubmit their respective documentation, or submit justification for the continued effective applicability of the topical report without a revision of their respective documentation.

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Ashok C/ Thadani, Director

Division of Systems Safety and Analysis Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure:
Request for incorporation of ULTRAFLOW<sup>TM</sup> on 9x9-IX/9X BWR fuel design