UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 50-364 ALABAMA POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 15 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-8 issued to Alabama Power Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant, Unit No. 2 (the facility) located in Houston County, Alabama. The amendment was effective on April 28, 1982 for one-time only.

The amendment modifies the Technical Specifications for one time to extend a six hour time limit to nine hours to allow time to complete repairs and retests of the rod control system. The amendment was authorized on an expedited basis to maintain the plant at steady condition and avoid a shutdown transient shown by our evaluation to be unnecessary but required by the Technical Specifications unless amended.

The request for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was not required since this amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

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The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the request for amendment dated April 28, 1982, (2) the Commission's letter dated April 30, 1982, (3) Amendment No. 15 to License No. NPF-8, and (4) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the George S. Houston Memorial Library, 212 W. Burdeshaw Street, Dothan, Alabama 36303. A copy of items (2), (3) and (4) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Licensing.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 17th day of August 1982.

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