

February 28, 1994

Docket No. 52-004

Mr. Patrick W. Marriott, Manager  
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Dear Mr. Marriott:

SUBJECT: STAFF REVIEW ACTIVITIES FOR THE SIMPLIFIED BOILING WATER  
REACTOR (SBWR) TESTING PROGRAM

Enclosed for your information are copies of the staff's implementation plan for the review of the SBWR testing program and staff guidance regarding monitoring and reporting on the conduct of design certification tests. The implementation plan was originally issued on October 21, 1992, and subsequently revised on February 17 and September 15, 1993 (Enclosures 1, 2, and 3, respectively). All three versions of the plan are enclosed since they build on one another. The staff guidance dated January 14, 1994 (Enclosure 4), supplements the information provided in the implementation plan. It is the staff's expectation that your review of these documents will provide better insight into the staff's review process and lead to more productive interactions between the staff and GE on the SBWR testing program.

Based on your request, we are in the process of scheduling a meeting for March 1994, to discuss the staff's test program review. I will be in touch with your staff to make definitive arrangements in the near future. Please contact me at (301) 504-1178 or Mr. Frederick Hasselberg at (301) 504-1141 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,  
(Original signed by)

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1. Plan dtd 10/21/92
2. Revised Plan dtd 2/17/93
3. Rev. 2 Plan dtd 9/15/93
4. Guidance dtd 1/14/94

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