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UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Docket No. 50-219

Mr. John J. Barton  
Vice President and Director  
GPU Nuclear Corporation  
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
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Dear Mr. Barton:

SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF THE THIRD TEN-YEAR INTERVAL INSPECTION REQUESTS FOR RELIEF FOR OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (TAC NOS. M85752 AND M85753)

By letters dated February 4, February 8, and February 11, 1993, GPU Nuclear Corporation (GPUN) submitted requests for relief from certain requirements of the Inservice Inspection program as it applies to the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station. The requests were made in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3) on the basis that the alternatives to the requirements proposed by GPUN will provide an acceptable level of quality and safety. Specifically, your letters requested schedular relief to hydrostatically test a portion of the condensate transfer system, relief from corrective measures for Class I Bolted Connections on pumps and valves (Relief No. R12, (Part A), Paragraph 1WA-5250(a)(2), relief from corrective measures for Control Rod Drive Housing Connections (Relief No. R12, (Part B), 1WA-5250(a)(2), and relief from Corrective Measures, for class I Bolted Connections (Relief No. R12 (Part C), Paragraph 1WA-5250(a)(2). Such requests are provided for in 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3).

The staff and its contractor, Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, have reviewed GPUN's request for relief and supporting justification. Based on its review, the staff has determined that Request for Relief R12, Part A be denied and that the alternatives contained in Requests for Relief R12, Part B and C, are authorized pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(i) provided the proposed alternatives described by GPUN are followed. In addition, the one time schedular request for hydrostatic testing from 1WA-5214 is authorized pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(i) provided GPUN performs the required hydrostatic test during the next regularly scheduled system hydrostatic test in the current ten-year interval. As discussed in the enclosed Safety Evaluation, Relief Request R12, Part A was denied because GPUN's alternative does not include the removal of at least one bolt, and the impracticality of the Code requirements have not been supported.

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The staff has determined that the requested relief (R12, Parts B and C), provides an acceptable level of quality and safety and may be granted pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(3)(i).

A summary of the requirements and the bases for granting or denying the relief requests are contained in the enclosed Safety Evaluation and Technical Evaluation Summary.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

John F. Stolz, Director  
Project Directorate I-4  
Division of Reactor Projects  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

- 1. Safety Evaluation
- 2. Technical Evaluation Summary

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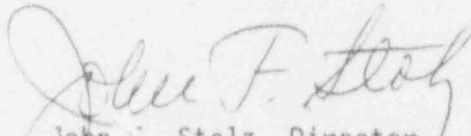
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