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SUBJECT: JANUARY 28, 1994 MEETING BETWEEN THE CHAIRMAN AND
REPRESENTATIVES FROM FLORIDA POWER CORPORATION

On January 28, 1994 the Chairman met with Messrs. Keesler and Beard of Florida Power Corporation (FPC). Mr. Keesler opened the meeting with a discussion of Crystal River's recent good performance, their long range plan for excellence, and ten challenges they have set for themselves.

In response to a question from the Chairman concerning demand growth, Mr. Keesler stated that current growth is about 2.5% and that he expects growth to drop to 2% over the next 5 years. He noted that FPC added 30,000 customers last year and that the utility is experiencing some problems siting transmission lines. Mr. Keesler also noted that unlike Florida Power & Light, FPC is a winter peaking utility and that 90% of their load is electric water heaters.

Based on questions from the Chairman, the conversation then turned to license renewal, waste disposal and Thermo-Lag. Mr. Keesler stated that although they are considering license renewal, any action on their part must be preceded by a solution to the high level waste disposal problem. On the topic of Thermo-Lag, Mr. Keesler invited the Chairman to tour Crystal River to look at their Thermo-Lag installation and the actual fire loading in the plant. FPC is performing a detailed fire hazards analysis and will propose a plant specific solution based on the results of the NUMARC testing and their analysis.

The meeting ended with a discussion of how NRC's actions contribute to the operating cost of nuclear power plants and the efforts NRC has underway to re-examine administrative costs and regulations that provide marginal safety benefits.

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