

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

Docket No. 50-313

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director, Division of Licensing

THRU: Gus C. Lainas, Assistant Director for Operating Reactors

John F. Stolz, Chief, Operating Reactors Branch #4 by WBF

FROM: Guy S. Vissing, Project Manager, Operating Reactors Branch #4

SUBJECT: EVALUATION OF THE JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUED OPERATION OF

ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNIT NO. 1 DURING ONGOING EQUIPMENT

QUALIFICATION REVIEW

SECY-81-603B identified Arkansas 1 as one of the 18 plants without sufficient documented justification for continued operation during the ongoing equipment qualification review. On March 15, 1982 the Arkansas 1 PM provided a detailed justification for the plant's continued operation during the equipment qualification review (Attachment 1).

I have reviewed this document and have made a further search to identify any additional information submitted by the licensee. While voluminous submittals have been made by the licensee in relation to the technical review and evaluation no additional information has been submitted since the February 27, 1982 letter identified in Attachment 1. Therefore, the PM's conclusions reached in the attachment are still valid and need not be modified.

I have reviewed the licensee's justification for continued operation and find that the licensee has taken satisfactory action or compensatory measures for identified equipment qualification deficiencies; and is proceeding in a responsible and timely manner to correct the remaining deficiencies. I conclude, therefore, that continued operation until completion of the licensee's environmental qualification program will not present undue risk to the public health and safety.

The staff is continuing to review the licensee's environmental qualification program. If any additional qualification deficiencies are identified during the progress of this review, the licensee will be requested to reverify that continued operation until completion of the licensee's environmental qualification program will not present undue risk to the public health and safety.

Guy S. Vissing, Project Manager Operating Reactors Branch #4

Attachment: 3/15/82 Justification cc w/attachment: RClark

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