



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

July 31, 1991

Mr. Louis D. Putney
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Dear Mr. Putney:

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 25, 1991, on behalf of Edward S. Wollesen, addressed to the Executive Director for Operations of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requesting that the NRC take action with regard to the Florida Power Corporation (FPC) Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Generating Plant. The Petition requests that the NRC institute a proceeding in accordance with Section 2.206 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR 2.206) to suspend or revoke FPC's license for the Crystal River facility or to take such other action as may be proper.

Petitioner asserts the following as bases for his request:

- (1) 1,500 to 3,000 instruments in the plant, most of which are safety-related, are not properly identified and are not in a proper calibration program. There are no controlled calibration data sheets for the instruments, making it impossible to determine if the instruments are within engineering design standards. Moreover, engineering diagrams do not include these instruments, as required by the NRC.
- (2) In recent quality audit reports FPC stated that its security and fire protection programs comply with NRC requirements, although the programs are not sufficiently defined to be auditable in accordance with NRC requirements.
- (3) FPC has not adequately defined and does not know the exact requirements of the technical specifications for the plant.
- (4) Contrary to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Standard N45.2.10-1973, the FPC Plant Review Committee Guidelines Manual, an uncontrolled manual, includes mandatory instructions for nuclear operations.
- (5) There is no assurance that safety-related instruments are in calibration. When informed of this problem, plant management ignored it.

The Petitioner further asserts that these deficiencies render ineffective the quality assurance program, the fire protection program, and other programs critical to nuclear safety.

We note that the five issues raised by the Petitioner are identical to safety concerns brought to the attention of our Region II staff by copy of the letter of June 1, 1991, from the U.S. Department of Labor to FPC. This letter notified FPC of the discrimination complaint that you lodged on behalf of Mr. Wollesen and

Bonnie R. Collins and enclosed the complaint, which included the safety concerns. These concerns are being treated as allegations by NRC Region 11, which is currently evaluating them and will contact the Petitioner to obtain additional details as needed. I will rely on the Region 11 evaluation of these matters in developing my Director's Decision on the Petition under 10 CFR 2.206.

Action will be taken with respect to the issues raised in the Petition within a reasonable time, as provided by 10 CFR 2.206. I have enclosed for your information a copy of the notice that is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

(Original Signed By)

Thomas E. Murley, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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