

Docket No. STN 50-454

MAY 17 1984

Mr. Dennis L. Farrar
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Dear Mr. Farrar:

Subject: Byron 1 Pre-Service Inspection Program

We have completed our review of the Byron 1 Pre-Service Inspection relief requests submitted in your letters of March 1, 1983; August 26, 1983; December 6, 1983; February 17, 1984; and April 18, 1984. Your December 6, 1983 letter requested that we review and approve the relief requests well in advance of license issuance so that your ASME N-stamp certifications can be completed. Therefore, we are sending you the enclosed safety evaluation which is proposed for inclusion in Supplement 5 to the Byron Safety Evaluation Report. Supplement 5 is now scheduled for issuance in August 1984, to support your September 15, 1984 fuel load.

Our evaluation has determined that certain ASME Code Section XI examination requirements defined in 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.55a(g)(3), are impractical. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50, Section 50.55a(a)(2), we have allowed relief from the requirements that have been determined to be impractical and that, if implemented, would result in hardships or unusual difficulties without a compensating increase in the level of quality and safety. However, we are requiring that certain relief items be included in the inservice inspection program. These are discussed in the enclosure for Relief Requests NR-3, NR-4, NR-6 and NR-8, NR-11, and NR-13.

If any clarification is needed, call L. Olshan, the Licensing Project Manager at (301) 492-7070.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: As stated

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