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NUCLEAR LICENSING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director

Dear Mr. Denton:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station
Unit 1
Docket No. 50-416
License No. NPF-13
File: 0260/0840/L-860.0
Operating License Condition
2.C.(32)
AECM-84/0342

In AECM-83/0302, dated May 31, 1983, Mississippi Power & Light Company (MP&L) requested that Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (GGNS) Operating License Condition 2.C.(32) be revised to change the submittal date of the "Interplant Communication Systems" test results from no later than June 1, 1983 to no later than August 1, 1984. By letter dated August 8, 1983, the NRC accepted the revised reporting date with the justification that the subject test is clearly a function of operating experience at GGNS.

The purpose of this submittal is to request that the subject license condition be revised in the GGNS Full Power Operating License to delete the fixed date requirement for submittal of the communications test results. This revision is requested due to the prolonged delay in the GGNS power ascension program and plant operations. As stated in Section 9.6.1.2 of Supplemental Safety Evaluation Report No. 4. issued in May, 1983, "Meaningful tests of this equipment require that the plant be operating at some significant (greater than 40%) power level." In that the communication system test can only be conducted during the power ascension program, the subject license condition should be revised to require submittal of the test evaluation no later than 90 days following the completion of the testing. This revision, which is necessary to ensure that the reporting requirements are consistent with the plant operating schedule, was discussed with Mr. Jon Hopkins of your staff on June 21, 1984.

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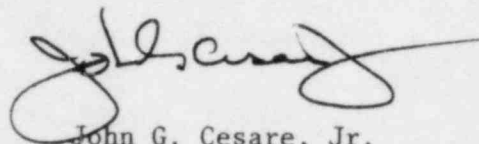
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If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact this office.

Yours truly,



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