

October 5, 1995

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Post Office Box 411  
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SUBJECT: RELIEF REQUESTS, INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM, FIRST 10-YEAR  
INTERVAL - WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. 91927)

Dear Mr. Carns:

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In making this determination, we have given due consideration to the burden that could result if those requirements were imposed on your facility. Therefore, the staff finds your requests for relief acceptable, and by this letter, relief is granted for IIR-40, IIR-41, IIR-42, IIR-43, and IIR-44.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:  
William Bateman, Director  
Project Directorate, IV-2  
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-482

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation

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