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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Attention: Mr. G.W. Knighton, Chief Licensing Branch No. 3 Division of Licensing U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject:

NUCLEAR PROJECT NO. 3

DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLETED WORK (DRAFT SER)

References:

- Letter, GO3-83-889, G.C. Sorensen to H.R. Denton, dated November 18, 1983
- Letter, G.W. Knighton to G.C. Sorensen, dated January 3, 1984.
- 3) NRC and Supply System Meeting, September 25, 1984

In October 1983, NRC and the Supply System Management met to discuss the status of the OL review for WNP-3. Subsequently, the Supply System sent a letter to NRC (reference 1) which provided information regarding the construction delay of WNP-3 and requested NRC concurrence with a proposed plan for documenting the completed NRC reviews via a draft Safety Evaluation Report (SER). NRC indicated in reference 2 that they were reviewing the WNP-3 schedule in conjunction with other commitments.

The Supply System has completed responses to 394 of the 496 NRC questions received. Responses to several of the remaining questions are in preparation. The Supply System has met with the NRC staff on the issues of structural design/deconvolution and geology/seismology that were raised by NRC questions.

As we discussed in our November 18 letter (reference 1), issuance of a draft SER is of benefit to both the Supply System and the NRC to preserve the significant efforts already expended by both organizations. During the NRC/Supply System management meeting on September 25, 1984, we indicated that an additional 27 month delay in restart of WNP-3 has been tentatively recommended by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). If this additional delay does occur, the draft SER becomes even more important as a means of documenting the review that has already occurred. The future resumption of work will undoubtedly involve some new personnel from both the Supply System and NRC. The draft SER will provide them with a benchmark to begin further review.

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As stated in our earlier correspondence, the Supply System is prepared to provide the support necessary for the NRC to issue the draft SER. This includes any meetings necessary to clarify submitted responses; providing responses to further questions; or discussions to agree on the schedule for the draft SER. If the NRC has developed any other review questions that can be transmitted to the Supply System, the Supply System would appreciate receiving them as early as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. D.W. Coleman, WNP-3 Licensing Project Manager on (206) 482-4428 extension 5436.

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