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50-321

Mr. J. T. Beckham, Jr.
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SUBJECT: CLOSEOUT OF GENERIC LETTER 89-19, "REQUEST FOR ACTION RELATED TO RESOLUTION OF UNRESOLVED SAFETY ISSUE A-47 'SAFETY IMPLICATION OF CONTROL SYSTEMS IN LWR NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS' PURSUANT TO 10 CFR 50.54(f)" - EDWIN I. HATCH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. M74949 AND M74950)

Dear Mr. Beckham:

By letters dated March 14 and May 1, 1990, you responded to Generic Letter (GL) 89-19 for the Edwin I. Hatch Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. Your March 14, 1990, letter stated that you were participating in the BWR Owners Group (BWROG) committee. The May 1, 1990, letter stated that, based on your review, you have determined that both units have a commercial grade overflow protection system which trips the main feedwater pumps on high vessel water level based on two-out-of-three logic, and that the safety benefits for providing additional redundancy and independence are not substantial. Also, the May 1, 1990, letter stated your commitment to include a new Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO), as recommended in GL 89-19, for the operability of the overflow system in your Improved Technical Specifications (ITS). The ITS were issued March 3, 1995, as Operating License Amendments 195 and 135 for Units 1 and 2, respectively. They included a new LCO 3.3.2.2 "Feedwater and Main Turbine Trip High Water Level Instrumentation." Inclusion of this LCO and its associated operability requirements satisfied the commitment contained in your May 1, 1990, letter.

Furthermore, by letter dated August 7, 1995, you informed the staff that, on July 13, 1995, you have implemented the ITS, including the new LCO and its associated operability requirements for the overflow system. Also, your August 7, 1995, letter stated that you have implemented, in 1991, the appropriate procedures and operator training to assure that operators can mitigate reactor vessel overflow events that may occur via the condensate booster pumps during reduced system pressure operations.

The NRC staff has reviewed your submittals and finds that you have satisfied the recommendations of GL 89-19. Therefore, your resolution of this issue is acceptable. This completes our action regarding TAC Nos. M74949 and M74950. However, further NRC action may occur as a result of a future inspection or audit regarding this issue.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me at (301) 415-1496.

Sincerely,

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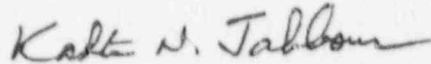
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