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Subject: River Bend Station - Unit 1  
Docket No. 50-458  
License No. NPF-47  
Request for Additional Information Pertaining to License Amendment  
Request (LAR) 95-04, Changes to Technical Specifications  
Concerning Fuel Handling Accident Conditions

File No. G9.5, G9.42

Reference: RBG-41728, License Amendment Request (LAR) 95-04, Change  
to Technical Specifications Concerning Fuel Handling Accident  
Conditions, dated August 17, 1995

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Gentlemen:

In a recent telephone call, Entergy Operations, Inc. (EOI) personnel representing River Bend Station (RBS) discussed with the NRC proposed changes to the Technical Specifications (TS) pertaining to fuel handling accident conditions. These changes are documented in the referenced letter. In the call, the NRC requested that EOI place into the BASES section of TS 3.6.1.2, "Primary Containment Air Locks," certain restraints for opening the primary containment air lock doors during CORE ALTERATIONS.

As discussed with the NRR Project Manager, EOI will incorporate the following discussion into TS 3.6.1.2 BASES.

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"Primary containment air lock doors may be open during CORE ALTERATIONS, except when moving recently irradiated fuel, provided the following conditions exist:

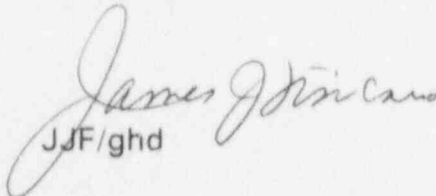
- 1) One door in each air lock is capable of being closed
- 2) Hoses and cables running through the air lock employ a means to allow safe, quick disconnect and are tagged at both ends with specific instructions to expedite removal
- 3) There is a minimum of 23 feet of water over the core
- 4) The air lock doors are not blocked open to allow expeditious closure
- 5) A designated individual is available to expeditiously close the air lock doors

"Systems are available to filter and monitor releases from the containment."

This addition to the BASES will be made requisite with implementing the requested change to TS 3.6.1.2 (as documented in the referenced letter). These restraints are currently required by plant procedures.

If you have any further questions on this subject, please contact Mr. Guy Davant of my staff.

Sincerely,

  
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