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Mr. W. L. Stewart  
Vice President - Nuclear Operations  
Virginia Electric and Power Company  
Post Office Box 26666  
Richmond, Virginia 23261

Dear Mr. Stewart:

SUBJECT: RELIEF REQUEST-HYDROSTATIC TEST OF VALVE WELD  
REPAIRS, NORTH ANNA POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1 (NA-1)

By letter dated August 3, 1984 (Serial No. 437) you requested relief from the hydrostatic test pressure requirements of the 1974 Edition through Summer 1975 Addenda of Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code. Specifically, after replacement of a 1½" socket welded globe vent valve in the main steam line at NA-1, you have requested relief to hydrostatically test this valve replacement weld which requires a pressure test on the NA-1 "A" steam generator up to the main steam trip valve.

We have reviewed your request for relief as provided in our Safety Evaluation (SE) enclosed with this letter. As stated in our SE, we have determined that the hydrostatic tests requirements are impractical to be performed and that your alternative examination and leakage test at operating pressure is adequate to provide the necessary assurance of weld structural integrity. Therefore, the relief requested in your August 3, 1984 letter is hereby granted.

Also enclosed is a Notice of Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact relating to this action, which was published in the Federal Register on August 28, 1984 (49 FR 34112).

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

James R. Miller, Chief  
Operating Reactors Branch #3  
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Enclosure:

1. Safety Evaluation
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