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102-02220-WFC/JNI July 29, 1992

Mr. Samuel J. Chilk Secretary of the Commission U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Chilk:

Subject:

Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)

Units 1, 2, and 3

Docket Nos. STN 50-528/529/530

Comments on the Proposed Amendment to 10 CFR 50.63, "Loss of all

Alternating Current Power," 57 Fed. Reg. 14514, April 21, 1992

File: 92-056-026

Arizona Public Service Company has reviewed the proposed revision to 10 CFR 50.63 and the comments submitted to the NRC by the Nuclear Management and Resources Council (NUMARC). We fully endorse the position taken by NUMARC that the rule change is unnecessary for the following reasons:

- It does not result in an increase in safety; indeed it may decrease safety by the accelerated testing required of the Emergency Diesel Generators,
- The intended goal of Generic Safety Issue B-56 is being met,
- The requirements are essentially redundant to the Maintenance Rule, 10 CFR 50.65,
- Additional enforcement authority is unnecessary.

We therefore urge the Commission to abandon promulgation of this proposed amendment.

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If you have any questions, please call Thomas R. Bradish of my staff at (602) 393-5421.

Sincerely,

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