Docket No. 50-219

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Dear Mr. Barton:

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR RELIEF FROM ASME CODE SECTION XI REQUIRFMENTS -OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. M82625)

In a letter dated January 15, 1992, as supplemented July 2, 1992, GPU Nuclear Corporation (GPUN/licensee) requested temporary relief under Generic Letter 90-05 from an ASME Code Section XI requirement for the repair of Class 3 piping. The piping for which relief was requested is an underground aluminum pipe in the condensate transfer system.

We have reviewed this request and prepared the enclosed safety evaluation. have determined that granting relief where Code requirements are impractical and imposing alternative requirements are authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and are otherwise in the public interest, given due consideration to the burden upon the licensee and facility that could result if the code requirements were imposed on the facility. Under 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i) relief is granted until the next scheduled outage exceeding 30 days, but no later than the next scheduled refueling outage. The flawed pipe must then be repaired or replaced in accordance with the code.

Sincerely,

John F. Stolz, Director Project Directorate I-4 Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure: As stated

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