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SUBJECT: RELIEF REQUEST, 10-YEAR HYDROSTATIC TEST - WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. M94599)

Dear Mr. Carns:

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Use of the proposed alternatives in conjunction with the clarifications and provisions as noted in the safety evaluation is authorized for the duration of the currently approved inservice inspection program interval, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(ii), in that compliance with the requirements would result in hardship or unusual difficulty without a compensating increase in the level of quality and safety. The staff's evaluation and conclusions are contained in the enclosed safety evaluation.

Sincerely,

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-482

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation

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