

Florida Power

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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Attention: Mr. John F. Stolz, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch #4

Division of Licensing

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Crystal River Unit 3

Docket No. 50-302

Operating License No. DPR-72 Spent Fuel Pool Missile Shields

Reference: FPC letter from J. T. Rodgers to A. Schwencer, dated

August 26, 1975

Dear Sir:

During the review of Florida Power Corporation's (FPC's) Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR), the NRC requested information concerning the missile shields that cover the spent fuel pools. In the response to question 3 of the referenced letter, FPC indicated: 1) we would receive severe weather advisories from the National Weather Service via teletype in our System Control Center, and the System Control Center would notify the shift supervisor on duty at Crystal River Unit 3; and 2) the shift supervisor, if he has been notified of a severe weather advisory, would not grant approval to begin any fuel handling operation, or, if a fuel handling operation was in progress, would order all fuel handling operations suspended and the missile shields installed. During a recent internal audit, it was discovered that the manner in which FPC performs these activities has been changed.

Crystal River Unit 3 now receives weather information directly from the National Warning System (NAWAS). The shift supervisor, when notified of a tornado watch, will not grant approval to begin any fuel handling operation, or, if a fuel handling operation is in progress, will order all fuel handling operations suspended and the missile shields installed. These changes are due to: 1) the improved timeliness and accuracy of the NAWAS information; and 2) the FSAR and Technical Specification requirements to suspend fuel handling operations for the conditions indicative of a tornado and not for the other severe weather advisories (e.g., thunderstorms, hail, etc.).

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FPC has determined that this method of operation is better than the original commitment and adequate to protect the health and safety of the plant personnel and the general public.

The purpose of this letter is to revise and update the information provided by the referenced letter. FPC has determined an application fee for this submittal is not required since NRC review began during the FSAR review.

Sincerely,

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