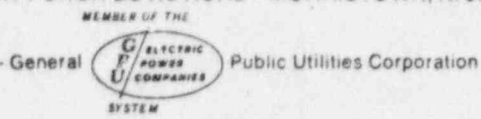


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May 13, 1975



Mr. George Lear, Chief
Operating Reactor Branch #3
Division of Reactor Licensing
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Mr. Lear:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Docket No. 50-219

Your letter of April 14, 1975 informed us of a problem area in the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station, Unit No. 1, Technical Specifications involving the statement of maximum allowable reactor vessel heatup and cool-down rates. You stated that by specifying a temperature change in " $^{\circ}\text{F}/\text{hr}$ ", the time interval over which the change is to be averaged is not obvious; and therefore, wherever specified, should be expressed in " $^{\circ}\text{F}$ increase (or decrease) in any one hour."

Section 3.3.C.1 of the Oyster Creek Technical Specifications reads as below:

C. Thermal Transients

1. The average rate of reactor coolant temperature change during normal heatup and cooldown shall not exceed 100°F in any one hour period.

This area of the Technical Specifications already meets the full intent of your letter; therefore, no Technical Specification change concerning maximum allowable reactor vessel heatup and cooldown rates is planned.

Very truly yours,

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