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REGION IV

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August 15, 1984

WOLF CREEK TASK FORCE WEEKLY REPORT NUMBER 3

(Report Period 8/10-16/84)

NOTE: The purpose of this report is to communicate activities, plans, progress, problems, etc., to NRC management and Task Force participants. The weekly report will not provide draft information, incomplete inspection results, potential violations, etc.; it will summarize/digest such completed and issued actions.

1. Plant Status

On Monday, August 13, 1984, KG&E completed fill and vent requirements and had jogged all four reactor coolant pumps (RCP), and started the heatup phase of the hot functional test (HFT). HFT is scheduled to last a total of 41 days with the last 7 days for a cooldown portion of the testing.

As of Tuesday morning, August 14, 1984, the primary plant temperature is at 150°F with a bubble in the pressurizer. Two or four RCPs are being operated to maintain temperature. Most of the preoperational testing required at this temperature is completed. The next temperature plateau is 180°F at which time primary chemistry will be brought within specification by adding Lithium Hydroxide and Hydrazine.

2. Construction Inspection

A team of five Region IV inspectors arrived onsite on August 13, 1984, for another scheduled inspection. These inspectors will continue inspection of the assigned 2512 program and allegation follow up.

NRC inspection report 50-482/84-15 is now in draft.

3. Preoperational Inspection

R. Smith performed inspection on August 6 to August 10 in the following areas:

- Witnessing Hot Functional Test SU3-BB05
- Continuing review of Test Procedure SU3-BB05, Reactor Coolant System Hot Preoperational Test, Module 70308 - 90% complete.

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- Continued review of applicant's administrative procedures for test performance.
- Continued review of Primary System Hydrostatic Test, SU3-BB11, Module 70562 - 90%
- Reviewed the following operational procedures:

Gen 00-001 - Mode 5, Fill & Vent of the RCS Gen 00-002 - Cold Shutdown to Hot Standby SYS BB-110 - Reactor Coolant System Fill & Vent Admin. Procedure 02-21 - Use of Procedures in Operations QA & QC procedures that support Pre-Ops and Startup Testing QA Audit by MAC of KG&E

 Inspection Preoperational Testing Quality Assurance Module 35301 -30% Complete

D. Carpenter and B. Breslsau on site week of August 13-17 for HFT witnessing.

A physical security inspection by J. Kelly was erroneously reported as being scheduled to start August 13; it will actually start August 27, 1984.

4. Region III Assistance

Messrs. Reyes and Farber of Region III will be onsite August 15-16, 1984, for site familiarization and to gather information to begin the Region III effort.

5. Fire Protection

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KG&E and Union Electric personnel met with NRR on August 10, 1984, in Headquarters, to discuss the "Control Room Fire" issue. NRR upheld the inspection findings that the applicant (Wolf Creek) had not demonstrated physical and electrical independence of the control room to accomplish safe shutdown. It was also decided that the same problem exists at Callaway.

Both utilities declared their intention to appeal this position. The appeals meeting took place on August 14, 1984.

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The utilities presented their position to the appeals board, however, the appeals board upheld the inspection findings. The utilities will present a proposed course of action, with schedule, to establish physical and electrical independence of the control room to accomplish safe shutdown.

6. General Assessment

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Inspection activities are proceeding as planned and scheduled. KG&E forecasts a fuel load date of November 1, 1984 (as of July 18, 1984). HFT has started and KG&E estimates that the slippage in the HFT schedule has impacted FLD by one week at the most. RIII and RIV is adjusting the inspection resources to support the November 1, 1984 FLD.

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