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Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant
Inservice Inspection Program
ASME Code Update

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Southern Nuclear Operating Company (SNC) is herein submitting the Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant (FNP) Unit 1 and 2 Inservice Inspection (ISI) Programs in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR50.55a(g)(4)(ii). SNC is updating the ISI Program for Units 1 and 2 to the code of record referenced in paragraph (b) of 10CFR50.55a which is the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section XI, 1989 Edition.

By letter dated January 9, 1997 SNC requested authorization to update the Unit 2 ISI program 44 months early on December 1, 1997 in conjunction with the 120-month update of the Unit 1 program so that both units will be updated to a common ASME Section XI Code edition for ISI. The NRC approved this request by letter dated March 20, 1997. FNP Unit 1 will begin its third ten-year ISI interval on December 1, 1997 working to the 1989 Code. FNP Unit 2 is presently in the second ten-year ISI interval with the third interval scheduled to start on July 30, 2001; therefore, this update will cover part of the second and third intervals. It is SNC's intention to continue the practice of updating the ISI Programs for Units 1 and 2 concurrently for the remainder of plant life. Therefore the next update will be on December 1, 2007 for both units.

SNC will begin implementation of the updated ISI Program for Unit 1 and Unit 2 on December 1, 1997. Therefore, SNC requests NRC approval of the enclosed ISI Program and Relief Requests by November 1, 1997 in order to facilitate the implementation of the updated program procedures.

Should you have any questions please contact this office.

Respectfully submitted,

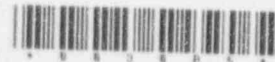
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Enclosures:

- 1) FNP-1-M-096 FNP ISI Program - Unit 1
- 2) FNP-2-M-096 FNP ISI Program - Unit 2



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