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Subject:

Waterford 3 SES Docket No. 50-382

License No. NPF-38

Withdrawal of Technical Specification Change Request NPF-38-187

Gentlemen:

By letter dated November 15, 1996, Waterford 3 submitted the subject Technical Specification Change Request, to revise the licensing basis concerning the Containment Spray System outside containment isolation valves (CS-125A &B). The proposed change would alter the scope of the Limiting Condition for Operation for TS 3.6.3, Containment Isolation. This LCO requires all containment isolation valves to be operable. Containment isolation valves are identified in the design and licensing basis of the plant. The description and safety analysis included with the proposed change provided justification to eliminate CS-125A & B from the scope of TS 3.6.3.

Waterford 3 hereby requests that this change be withdrawn. A modification is being made to the plant that eliminates the need for the proposed TS change.

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Should you have any questions or comments concerning this request, please contact Mr. Paul Caropino at (504) 739-6692.

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