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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
ATTN: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant - Units 1 and 2
Proposed Deletion of the Surveillance Specimen
Withdrawal Schedule from the Technical Specifications

In letter dated October 28, 1987, Alabama Power Company submitted its Unit 1 Reactor Vessel Surveillance Capsule Report which noted that capsule lead factors had changed and a subsequent Technical Specification change would be submitted in January 1988. Upon further evaluation, it has been determined that the withdrawal schedule included in Table 4.4-5 of the Units 1 and 2 Technical Specifications can be deleted. Accordingly, Alabama Power Company is hereby requesting that Surveillance Requirement 4.4.10.1.2 and the accompanying Table 4.4-5 be deleted from the Unit 1 and Unit 2 Technical Specifications. This change is considered by Alabama Power Company to be administrative in nature since the program for surveillance of reactor vessel material will continue to be governed by 10 CFR 50 Appendix H. The schedule for withdrawal of surveillance specimens is bound by 10 CFR 50 Appendix H to comply with ASTM E 185-82. This program is governed by the Code of Federal Regulations and therefore, inclusion of the schedule for removal of surveillance specimens in the Technical Specifications is not necessary. The schedule for removal of surveillance specimens will be added to the FSAR Update in the next annual revision. In addition, 10 CFR 50 Appendix H requirements to update the Technical Specification pressure-temperature limits (Figures 3.4-2 and 3.4-3) as necessary will continue to be met; however, their inclusion in the Technical Specifications is not required to ensure compliance. This proposal is consistent with licensing actions recently taken by the NRC on other facilities.

Attachment 1 contains the proposed changed Technical Specification pages. Alabama Power Company has determined that the proposed change does not involve a significant hazards consideration. The required analysis, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.92, is provided as Attachment 2.

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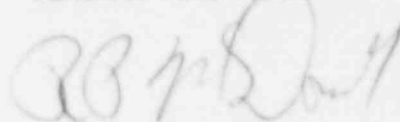
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Alabama Power Company's Plant Operations Review Committee has reviewed the proposed change and the Nuclear Operations Review Board will review the proposed change at a future meeting. It is requested that this proposed change be approved by July 29, 1988. The License Amendment Application Fee of \$150.00 is enclosed as required by 10 CFR 170.21. A copy of the proposed change has been sent to Dr. C. E. Fox, the Alabama State Designee, in accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1).

If there are any questions, please advise.

Respectfully submitted,

ALABAMA POWER COMPANY



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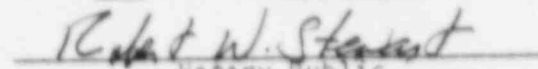
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Enclosure

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Dr. C. E. Fox

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

THIS 28th DAY OF JANUARY, 1988


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10/27/89

ATTACHMENT 1

Proposed Changed Pages

<u>Unit 1</u>	<u>Revision</u>
Page 3/4 4-27	Replace
Page 3/4 4-28	Replace
Page B3/4 4-8	Replace

<u>Unit 2</u>	<u>Revision</u>
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