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Attention: Dr. J. Nelson Grace

Subject: Crystal River Unit 3
Docket No. 50-302
Operating License No. DPR-72
Environmental Qualification of Feedwater Isolation Valves

Dear Sir:

In an August 8, 1988 letter (3F0888-06) Florida Power Corporation (FPC) reported the discovery of two valves in the Main Feedwater System (FWV-33 & FWV-36) which should have been qualified to withstand a high energy line break but were not. That letter also provided a description of the present valve configuration and provided justification for continued operation. Subsequent to that submittal, a walkdown of the valves was conducted to verify configuration and to assist planning of the corrective action. The limit switch compartment of one of the valve operators was disassembled for inspection. At that time it was discovered there were two differences from the original configuration description. The attached supplement to the original justification for continued operation describes the differences discovered and provides assurance that the valve operators will still provide an adequate level of protection until they can be replaced.

Should you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

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SUPPLEMENT TO JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUED OPERATION

Subsequent to FPC's submittal of August 8, 1988 (3F0888-06), a walkdown of the motor operator for valve FWV-33 was performed. The motor leads for the operator were observed to be a taped connection. This is contrary to the original statement that motor lead termination is by Raychem WSCF-N qualified splice. This condition most likely also exists for FWV-36. The terminations are enclosed to protect direct impingement of a steam environment. This along with the short operating time of less than one minute, provides adequate assurance of operability of the motor operator.

Another discrepancy noted is that the DC Motor Starters for FWV-33/-36 are enclosed by a NEMA 2 type enclosure, not a NEMA 4 as stated. Credit can be taken for the starter enclosure to protect against direct impingement of steam environment for the short duration that the starter must function. This does not alter the conclusion that adequate assurance of operability exists for the DC motor starter.

Thus, Florida Power Corporation considers the assessment of operability is unchanged from the original J.C.O and has a high degree of confidence the valves will perform their function for the postulated high energy line break event.