Docket Nos. 50-348, 50-364 License Nos. NPF-2 and NPF-8

Alabama Power Company
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE, REPORT NOS. 50-348/88-04 AND 50-364/88-04

This refers to the NRC's Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Board Report for your Farley facility which was sent to you on June 8, 1988; our meeting of July 7, 1988, at which we discussed this report; and your written comments dated August 2, 1988, relative to the report.

We have reviewed your written comments as discussed below:

Comments 1 & 2 (Page 12, 2nd ¶)

Alabama Power Company (APC) stated that the paragraph in question, contained several factual errors in regard to steam generator and secondary side chemical treatment.

The paragraph has been revised. See enclosed Appendix.

Comment 3 (Page 15, 2nd ¶)

APC states that the deviation for failure to control clams in service water is not indicative of the progress that has been made since August 1, 1986. Extensive testing during the SALP period has resulted in the development of an effective methodology which is environmentally acceptable.

Your comment is noted. This subject has been reflected at length in inspection report correspondence. The SALP reflects our position. Your response is enclosed for the record.

Comment 4, 5 & 6 (Page 26, 2nd & 4th ¶s/page 32, 1st & 2nd ¶s)

APC addresses two major topics in these paragraphs. The topics relate to environmental qualification of electrical equipment and the hydrogen buildup in the charging pump suction line. Our position on both of these topics was provided to you in our correspondence related to proposed escalated enforcement.

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In preparing the SALP report, these issues were written with the intent to place the matters in the proper perspective, recognizing that the issues were the topic of planned escalated enforcement which APC had not responded. These issues will be further examined in escalated enforcement correspondence. Therefore, we agree that the SALP is not the appropriate forum to thoroughly discuss these matters. Your response is enclosed for the record.

The enclosed Appendix incorporates the changes discussed, correction of administrative errors, and provides the errata for the final approved version of the SALP Board Report. Please insert corrected pages into the SALP report. Also enclosed are copies of the slides used during the July 7, 1988 meeting.

No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions concerning these matters, I will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original signed by J. Philip Stohr (for)

J. Nelson Grace Regional Administrator

Enclosures:

 Appendix to APC Farley Facility SALP Board Report Nos. 50-348/88-04 50-364/88-04 (Dated June 8, 1988)

2. Licensee Letter dated August 2, 1988

SALP Presentation Slides

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