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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Mr. Daniel R. Muller, Director BWR Project Directorate No. 1 Division of BWR Licensing

Subject: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-333 Proposed Changes to the Technical Specifications Regarding Reserve Power to Emergency Buses (PTS-85-15)

Dear Sir:

This letter provides a proposed change to the Technical Specifications that would delete the requirement to disconnect an emergency bus from the normal power source and connect it to the reserve power source, when its associated Emergency Diesel Generator system is inoperable. This requirement is unnecessary since automatic transfer of power supply is provided for all equipment required for a safeguard function. Where automatic transfer of the power supply is provided, the transfer equipment is designed so that the normal source breaker or contactor must open before the alternate source breaker or contactor can close. The alternate source breaker or contactor will not close if an overload condition exists. Additionally, the power transfer equipment is designed to meet single failure criteria. The manual transfer destabilizes the power supply and can lead to loss of power and subsequent scrams.

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91, a copy of this application, with attachments is being provided to the designated New York State Official.

In accordance with 10 CFR 170.12, a check in the amount of \$150.00 is enclosed as payment of the application fee for the review of this proposed change to the Technical Specifications.

Enclosed for filing are three (3) signed originals and nineteen (19) copies of a document entitled, "Application for Amendment to Operating License", together with forty (40) copies of Attachments I and II thereto, comprising a statement of the proposed changes to the Technical Specifications and the associated Safety Evaluation.

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Should you or your staff have any questions regarding the proposed changes, please contact Mr. J. A. Gray, Jr. of my staff.

Very truly yours,

and John C. Brons

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