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SUBJECT: James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-333
**Response to Request for Additional Information Regarding Proposed
Technical Specification Change (JPTS-95-007)**

References: See Below

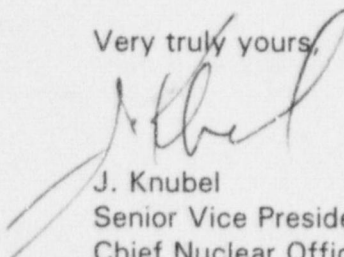
Dear Sir:

The Authority provided a Technical Specification (TS) Amendment proposal (Reference 1) to the NRC for the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant regarding revisions to the Allowed Outage Times (AOTs) for single inoperable EDGs. The NRC recently issued a Request for Additional Information (RAI) (Reference 2) regarding this TS Amendment proposal. The Authority has reviewed this RAI. Based on the results of this review, the Authority has chosen to propose a Configuration Risk Management Program (CRMP) consistent with the guidance of Regulatory Guide 1.177 (Reference 3). Attachment 1 contains the revised TS Amendment page (TS 258f). 11

This RAI response supplements Reference 1 and the additional information provided to the NRC in References 4, 5, 6, and 7. This response does not change the bases or modify the conclusions stated in the No Significant Hazards Consideration Evaluation previously submitted in Reference 1. The Plant Operating Review Committee (PORC) has reviewed this letter and concurs with this conclusion. A001

There are no new commitments made in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. C. Faison.

Very truly yours,


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3. Regulatory Guide 1.177, "An Approach for Plant-Specific, Risk-Informed Decisionmaking: Technical Specifications," August 1998
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