January 4, 1999

Mr. John P. Cowan, Vice President Nuclear Operations Florida Power Corporation ATTN: Manager Nuclear Licensing (SA2A) Crystal River Energy Complex 15760 West Power Line Street Crystal River, FL 34428-6708

SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-302/98-10 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Cowan:

This refers to the inspection conducted on October 25 through December 5, 1998, at the Crystal River facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

During the inspection period, your conduct of activities at the Crystal River facility was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations and initiation of thorough actions to address previous clearance deficiencies.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that a violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding it are described in detail in the subject inspection report.

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for the violation, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence is already adequately addressed on the docket in Licensee Event Report 50-302/98-013-00 dated December 16, 1998. Therefore, you are not required to respond to this letter unless the description therein does not accurately reflect your corrective actions or your position. In that case, or if you choose to provide additional information, you should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

(Original signed by L. Wert)

Leonard D. Wert, Chief Reactor Projects Branch 3 Division of Reactor Projects

Docket No. 50-302 License No. DPR-72

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Violation 2. Inspection Report No. 50-302/98-10

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