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

Mr. Daniel R. Muller, Director Attention:

BWR Project Directorate No. 2 Division of BWR Licensing

James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant Subject:

Docket No. 50-333

Proposed Change to the Technical Specifications

Separate Shift Technical Advisor Position

(JPTS-84-018)

References: 1. NYPA letter, J. P. Bayne to D. B. Vassallo dated January 26, 1984 (JPN-84-05)

- 2. NYPA letter, J. P. Bayne to D. B. Vassallo, dated September 7, 1984 (JPN-84-59).
- NYPA letter, J. P. Bayne to D. B. Vassallo, dated October 24, 1984 (JPN-84-72).
- NRC letter, D. B. Vassallo to J. P. Bayne, 4. dated December 11, 1984.
- 5. NRC Generic Letter 86-04, "Policy Statement on Engineering Expertise on Shift", dated February 13, 1986.
- 6. NYPA letter, J. C. Brons to D. R. Muller, dated May 15, 1986 (JPN-86-23).

Dear Sir:

The Advanced Technical Training Program at the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant for certain Senior Reactor Operators (SROs) that would qualify them to serve in a dual role SRO and Shift Technical Advisor (STA) is described in References 1, 2 and 3. The NRC Staff reviewed the documentation provided and concluded that licensed SROs who successfully complete the Advanced Technical Training Program would meet the criteria for dual role as an SRO/STA. The Staff advised the Authority of this conclusion by Moo3 1/1 #219843 Reference 4.

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Reference 4 also requested that the Authority modify the Technical Specifications for FitzPatrick to provide clarification on the use of individuals in a dual role capacity.

The proposed amendment to the James A. FitzPatrick Technical Specifications changes Section 6.3 and Figure 6.2-1 to note the use of dual role SRO/STAs in the operating shift organization. Provisions are maintained for use of a separate STA position. Provisions are also maintained for STA qualification for those STOs who have completed the FitzPatrick Advanced Technical Training Program.

Generic Letter 86-04 (Reference 5) provided the Commission Policy Statement on Engineering Expertise on shift to the Authority. This is the NRC guidance for the qualifications of personnel eligible to fulfill the duty of Shift Technical Advisor. In Reference 6 the Authority responded to the Generic Letter and described the Advanced Technical Training Programs used to qualify individuals for the dual role of SRO/STA.

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

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

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 170.12, the Authority has enclosed a check for \$150.00 for the amendment application fee.

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

Very truly yours,

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