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

Attention: L. S. Rubenstein, Assistant Director Core and Plant Systems

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING FUEL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM

References: 1) J. S. Charnley (GE) to C. H. Berlinger (NRC), "Post-Irradiation Fuel Surveillance Program", November 23, 1983

- 2) L. S. Rubenstein (NRC) to R. L. Gridley (GE), "Post-Irradiation Fuel Surveillance", January 18, 1984
- 3) J. S. Charnley (GE) to L. S. Rubenstein (NRC), "Fuel Surveillance Program", February 29, 1984

GE described its fuel surveillance program in Reference 1. The NRC requested additional details in Reference 2, and we responded to this request in Reference 3. This letter supplements or clarifies the information contained in these references.

In Reference 1, we agree to conduct upon discharge a visual examination of two early applications of a new fuel designs. By "early applications", we meant that the visual examination will be made on two applications of the new design from the first year in which the design is introduced.

In response to an NRC request, GE will supply to the NRC on an annual basis data on fuel performance for the previous year.

Please call W. A. Zarbis (408-925-5070) if you need additional information.

Very truly yours,

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