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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT:

TECH SPEC INTERPRETATION -- OFFSITE POWER SUPPLIES DURING

REFUELING - CRYSTAL RIVER 3

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We are working with the licensee to clarify the technical specifications in this area. If there are further questions regarding these technical specifications, please contact the Project Manager, Harley Silver.

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