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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Waterford 3 SES
Docket No. 50-382
License No. NPF-38
Reporting of Licensee Event Report

Gentlemen:

Attached is Licensee Event Report (LER) 98-017-00 for Waterford Steam Electric Station Unit 3. This report provides details of a condition in which an error in the energy redistribution factors used in the Waterford LOCA analysis resulted in exceeding the criteria for peak cladding temperature given in 10 CFR 50.46(b)(1). This condition is being reported pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(ii)(B) as a condition outside of the plant's design basis. Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.72(b)(1)(ii)(B), this condition was also reported to the NRC via a telephone conversation at 12:56 Eastern Standard Time on August 3, 1998.

Should you have any questions concerning this report, please contact me at (504) 739-6242.

Very truly yours,

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