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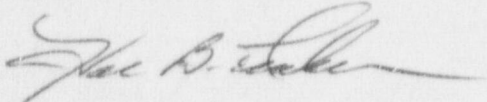
Subject: Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414
Technical Specification Amendment
Residual Heat Removal Flow Requirements

This letter contains a proposed amendment to the Technical Specifications for Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-35 and NPF-52 for Catawba Units 1 and 2. The attached request involves changing the requirements for Residual Heat Removal (ND) system flow when in Mode 6 (Refueling). These changes are in response to Generic Letter 88-17, Loss of Decay Heat Removal. The changes are also being proposed to aid Operations personnel. The direction given to Operations personnel because of Generic Letter 88-17 was in conflict with the current Technical Specifications. This was determined to be a contributory cause to LER 413/88-27, dated January 30, 1989. The changes would aid in preventing loss of the ND system. This proposed change is consistent with the Technical Specifications for Residual Heat Removal Systems in Mode 6 proposed in WCAP-12159. This WCAP was submitted by the Westinghouse Owners Group on March 30, 1989.

Attachment 1 contains marked up pages of the current Technical Specification pages reflecting the requested changes. Attachment 2 contains the Discussion, No Significant Hazards Analysis and Environmental Impact Statement. The analysis is included pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91 and it concludes that the proposed amendment does not involve significant hazards considerations.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91 (b) (1) the appropriate South Carolina Official is being provided a copy of this amendment request.

Very truly yours,



Hal B. Tucker

Attachments

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HAL B. TUCKER, being duly sworn, states that he is Vice President of Duke Power Company; that he is authorized on the part of said Company to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission this revision to the Catawba Nuclear Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A to License No. NPF-35 and NPF-52; and that, all statements and matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge.

Hal B. Tucker, Vice President

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of April, 1989.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Attachment 1

Proposed Technical Specification Changes