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MERITS Program Phase II, Technical Specifications and Bases

- References:
1. 52FR0788, "Interim Policy Statement on Technical Specification Improvements for Nuclear Power Reactors," United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission dated February 6, 1987.
  2. NRC letter from T. E. Murley to W. S. Wilgus, "NRC Staff Review of Nuclear Steam Supply System Vendor Owners Groups' Application of the Commission's Interim Policy Statement Criteria to Standard Technical Specifications," May 9, 1988.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is twenty-five (25) copies of WCAP-12159, "MERITS Program Phase II Technical Specifications and Bases. The MERITS Technical Specifications and Bases have been developed in accordance with the NRC staff's guidance and positions provided in References 1 and 2.

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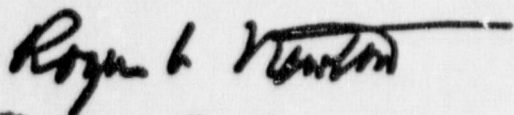
The Limiting Conditions for Operation (LCOs), Actions, and Surveillance Requirements have been written clearly and concisely, and represent a uniform and complete set of requirements. For certain specifications, WOG is proposing to add requirements in order to achieve consistency. WOG utilized the results of risk evaluations that have been reviewed and approved by the NRC staff in the development of these specifications, particularly in the Instrumentation Chapter. The WOG also proposes several technical changes that would relax requirements that are unduly restrictive and eliminate requirements that are unnecessary or duplicative.

The WOG MERITS Bases have been expanded in accordance with the NRC staff's guidance (Reference 1). Each LCO, Required Action, and Surveillance Requirement is addressed in the Bases. Additionally, each Bases has Background and Safety Analyses sections that provide general information about the system, component, or parameter addressed by the LCO, the relationship between the LCO requirements and the appropriate safety analyses, and the justification for the technical specification, i.e., which criterion requires it to be in the Technical Specifications. The specifications and bases are intended to be generally applicable to the WOG member plants. Brackets have been used to highlight material that has been identified as plant specific; for example, nongeneric design features and analysis methodologies.

During a telecon between NRC and WOG representatives, the NRC stated that the review of MERITS Technical Specifications is budgeted to be funded from monies generated by the license fees collected in accordance with 10CFR171; therefore, it is understood that no review fee is required for the WOG MERITS Technical Specifications. It is our understanding that the staff has scheduled ten months to complete the review of the WOG MERITS Technical Specifications and Bases. The WOG membership is committed to working with the staff to complete this licensing review phase of the program on schedule.

The WOG MERITS Technical Specifications and Bases are enclosed for your review and acceptance.

Very truly yours,



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