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MEETING AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE WITH FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY ST. LUCIE, UNITS 1 AND 2 LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION

March 5 and 10, 2003

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff met with representatives of the Florida Power and Light Company (FPL or the applicant) on March 5, 2003, and participated in a telephone conference on March 10, 2003, to discuss the applicant's draft responses to the staff's safety evaluation report (SER) with open items associated with the St. Lucie, Units 1 and 2, license renewal application (LRA). On the basis of the discussions, the staff was able to better understand the applicant's technical bases. No staff decisions were made during the meeting. In some cases, the applicant agreed to provide additional information.

The applicant plans to submit its responses to the SER open items by March 28, 2003. The staff will review the applicant's responses when they are received. A summary of the open items discussed and the applicant's proposed actions are presented below. The complete open items and draft responses from the applicant are available in Enclosure 3 of this meeting summary package.

Open Item 3.0.5.7-1, Fire Protection Pipe Wall Thinning Measurements

The staff and the applicant discussed the detection of fire protection piping wall thinning due to internal corrosion. The applicant's draft response supercedes in its entirety its previous response to the staff's request for additional information (RAI) B.3.2.8-3. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

Open Item 3.0.5.10-1, Use of Leakage Detection/Intake Cooling Water Leakage Monitoring

The staff and the applicant discussed the adequacy of the Systems and Structures Monitoring Program for managing loss of materials in the intake cooling water (ICW) system small bore piping that contained stagnant areas. Based on the discussion, the applicant agreed to provide the following information:

- Clarifications on operational experience of leakage in these pipes, the most susceptible flanges, and the inspection of the piping
- Structural integrity of susceptible small bore piping and flanges during seismic events
- How the leakage detection system is utilized to identify stress corrosion cracking for the chemical and volume control system

Open Item 3.1.1.2-1, Mechanical Closure Integrity - Stress Relaxation

The staff and the applicant discussed whether the loss of mechanical closure integrity is an applicable aging effect for stainless steel or carbon steel Non-Class 1 bolting materials as a result of stress relaxation. During the telephone conference, the applicant agreed to compare the technical information in the industry guidelines to the information in the FPL response. In addition, the applicant agreed to clarify why stress relaxation is an aging effect for Class 1 but not for non-Class 1 bolting. The applicant plans to revise its draft response by providing additional information with the specific technical basis for this open item.

Open Item 3.1.0.3-1, Small Bore Piping Aging Management Program, Risk Informed Methodologies

The staff and the applicant discussed the risk-informed methodologies for Small Bore Class 1 Piping Inspection aging management program. The applicant's draft response provided sufficient information. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

Open Item 3.1.0.5.1, Reactor Vessel Surveillance Capsule

The staff and the applicant discussed the Reactor Vessel Surveillance Capsule Removal and Evaluation Subprogram. The applicant's draft response provided the updated capsule removal schedule. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

Open Item 3.6.2.1-1, Fuse Holders

The staff and the applicant discussed aging management of the fuse holders. The staff requested that the applicant provide a commitment to comply with the interim staff guidance - (ISG) 5 on fuse holders when it is issued. The ISG-5, the identification and treatment of electrical fuse holders for license renewal, was issued on March 4, 2003. As a result, the applicant plans to revise its draft open item response to include additional information related to its Aging Management Review to address ISG-5.

Open Item 3.1.0.1-1, Alloy 600 Aging Management Program

The staff and the applicant discussed the implementation of future commitments associated with the primary water stress corrosion cracking (PWSCC) in Inconel materials (including Alloy 600 and Alloy 182/82 materials). The applicant's draft response to this open item provided these commitments. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

Open Item 3.1.0.1-2, Alloy 182/82

The staff and the applicant discussed the St. Lucie Alloy 600 Inspection Program. This open item included commitments made to NRC Bulletin 2002-01 and NRC Bulletin 2002-02. In response to the NRC Order dated February 11, 2003, which established interim inspection requirements for reactor pressure vessel heads at pressurized water reactors, the applicant

agreed to provide a supplemental response to include visual examinations and other inspections associated with this program.

Open Item 3.1.2.2-1, Pressurizer Spray Nozzle Welds

The staff and the applicant discussed the pressurized surge and spray nozzle thermal sleeves, which are fabricated from Alloy 600 materials, and whether cracking in the sleeves could damage the nozzles. The applicant's draft response supercedes in its entirety its previous response to RAI 2.3.1-2. The response indicates that the thermal sleeves are not welded to the nozzles. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

Open Item 4.6.4-1, Alloy 600 Nozzles, Plant Specific Report Review

The staff and the applicant discussed the plant-specific analysis of the small bore nozzles and Time Limited Aging Analysis (TLAA) on Alloy 600 half-nozzle repairs. The applicant's draft response to this open item provided updated information. The staff determined that no further information needs to be added to the draft response.

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