APPENDIX C

NRC, “Periodic Briefing On Operating Reactors And Material Facilities”,
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PERIODIC BRIEFING
ON OPERATING REACTORS
AND MATERIAL FACILITIES

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CATEGORY 1

PLANTS REMOVED FROM THE LIST OF PROBLEM FACILITIES

Plants in this category have taken effective action to correct identified problems and to implement programs for improved performance. No further NRC special attention is necessary beyond the regional office's current level of monitoring to ensure improvement continues.

NONE
CATEGORY 2

PLANTS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE
THAT THE NRC WILL MONITOR CLOSELY

Plants in this category are having or have had weaknesses that warrant increased NRC attention from both headquarters and the regional office. A plant will remain in this category until the licensee demonstrates a period of improved performance.

INDIAN POINT 3
MILLSTONE 1, 2, & 3
BROWNS FERRY 3
DRESDEN 2 & 3
CATEGORY 3

SHUTDOWN PLANTS REQUIRING NRC AUTHORIZATION TO OPERATE AND WHICH THE NRC WILL MONITOR CLOSELY

Plants in this category are having or have had significant weaknesses that warrant maintaining the plant in a shutdown condition until the licensee can demonstrate to the NRC that adequate programs have both been established and implemented to ensure substantial improvement.

BROWNS FERRY 1
PRIORITY MATERIAL FACILITIES

NONE

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Background

Twice a year the Nuclear Regulatory Commission evaluates the performance of the operating nuclear power plants in the United States and identifies those which require additional regulatory oversight because of declining performance. Once placed on the "watch list" a plant must demonstrate consistent improved performance before it is removed from the list. The review is performed by senior NRC managers who then present their assessments to the Commission in a public meeting. Since June 1993 the managers have also identified plants where performance is declining, but which do not warrant being placed on the Watch List. The senior managers' evaluations are drawn from inspections of the plants by NRC inspectors, NRC managers' visits to the plants, performance data, events and information reported by the utilities, and other information. The first watch list was issued in October 1986. Additional background and previous semiannual "Watch Lists."

Commission Meeting on 'Watch List" - Jan. 31, 1996

Click here here to view the news release on results of the Commission meeting and the current watch list: News Release on Watch List.

The following nuclear power plants were discussed by the Commission and NRC staff. Letters were sent to each utility involved. To view the letter, click on the name of the plant below. A full transcript of the Commission meeting is also available. To review previous Watch List results, click here for an

- Browns Ferry 3 (plant restart was authorized in November 1995)
- Dresden 2, 3
- Indian Point 3
- Millstone 1, 2, 3

Plants requiring NRC approval for restart (Category 3):
- Browns Ferry 1

Plants with declining trend in performance:
- Hope Creek
- Salem 1, 2

Watch List Categories

- Category 1: Plants Removed from the List of Problem Facilities. Plants in this category have taken effective action to correct identified problems and to implement programs for improved
performance. No further NRC special attention is necessary beyond the regional office's current level of monitoring to ensure improvement continues.

☐ Category 2: Plants Authorized to Operate that the NRC will Monitor Closely. Plants in this category are having or have had weaknesses that warrant increased NRC attention from both headquarters and the regional office. A plant will remain in this category until the licensee demonstrates a period of improved performance.

☐ Category 3: Plants in this category are having or have had significant weaknesses that warrant maintaining the plant in a shutdown condition until the licensee can demonstrate to the NRC that adequate programs have both been established and implemented to ensure substantial improvement.

☐ Declining Trend: Plants with safety performance trending downward [but not warranting designation as a Category 2 plant].

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