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Dr. Dennis C. Bley, Chairman Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

SUBJECT:

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3—EXTENDED

POWER UPRATE LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST

Dear Dr. Bley:

During the 644<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS or the Committee) on June 7–9, 2017, the ACRS completed its review of the extended power uprate license amendment request for Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Units 1, 2, and 3 (Browns Ferry). The ACRS also completed its review of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's associated draft safety evaluation.

The ACRS provided its report on the Browns Ferry extended power uprate license amendment request in a letter to Chairman Svinicki dated June 19, 2017 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML17166A364). The NRC staff agrees with the Committee's recommendation that the agency should approve the proposed extended power uprate license amendments for Browns Ferry, subject to the license conditions discussed in the staff's draft safety evaluation.

The NRC staff appreciates the Committee's thorough review of the extended power uprate request and associated safety evaluation, as well as the continued support of the ACRS in the power uprate review process.

Sincerely,

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for Operations

cc: Chairman Svinicki Commissioner Baran Commissioner Burns SECY SUBJECT: BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 – EXTENDED POWER UPRATE LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST DATED JULY 21, 2017

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