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Subject: Withdrawal of License Amendment Application Regarding Single Repair Roll Requirements and the Use of the Double Repair Roll Process for Steam Generator Tubes within the Upper Tubesheet (LAR No. 99-0001; TAC No. MA7829)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

By letter (Serial Number 2634) dated January 25, 2000, the FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) submitted an application to amend the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS) Unit Number 1, Facility Operating License NPF-3, Appendix A, Technical Specifications. The application proposed changes to the Once-Through Steam Generator (OTSG) tube repair roll process for use during the Twelfth Refueling Outage. As discussed with the NRC staff at a meeting on April 6, 2000, the Babcock and Wilcox Owners Group, of which FENOC is a member, is developing a Topical Report that will support eliminating certain accidents from consideration in OTSG design. This Topical Report will be submitted in the summer of 2000 to the NRC for review and approval. Since the subject license amendment request content will be affected by the Topical Report and since OTSG repairs for the Twelfth Refueling Outage have been completed without using the repair roll process, FENOC is withdrawing this license amendment application. Following NRC approval of the Topical Report, FENOC plans to submit a revised license amendment application to modify its repair roll process prior to the DBNPS Thirteenth Refueling Outage scheduled for the spring of 2002.

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Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. James L. Freels, Manager - Regulatory Affairs, at (419) 321-8466.

Very truly yours,



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COMMITMENT LIST

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COMMITMENTS

DUE DATE

None

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