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Enclosure 1 is the list of attendees, and Enclosure 2 is the handout provided by the licensee at the meeting. The agenda for the meeting is page 3 of Enclosure 2. The NRC staff did not provide a handout at the meeting. There was no discussion of any current licensing actions under NRC staff review for the unit, and the licensee has not submitted an application for either the power uprate or steam generator replacement. There were no decisions made by the NRC staff.

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