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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

FROM: Michael T. Lesar, Chief /RA/ Signed by M. Lesar

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Michael T. Lesar, Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, ADM, at 415-7163 (MTL) or Victoria Voytko, ADM, at 415-6075 (VNV).

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