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MEMORANDUM TO: File

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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) STAFF CONFERENCE
CALL WITH THE NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE (NEI)

A conference call was held with Doug Walters of NEI on May 3, 2001. Attendees included P.T. Kuo, Jerry Dozier, and Peter Kang of RLSB. The purpose of the call was to request additional samples for the license renewal demonstration project, discuss NRC concerns with the submitted sample and articulate NEI's expectations from the demonstration project. The following subjects were discussed:

- The staff requested three additional samples: Containment, Intake Structure, and Electrical. NEI will submit a structural sample (at least one) and an Electrical Sample with both the SRP format and six column table approach.
- The staff expressed concern that a meaningful safety evaluation could not be performed on the sample that was provided at the May 1, 2001, meeting. Mr. Walters acknowledged that the sample provided did not include the necessary detail to write an SE. He would resubmit the Steam and Power Conversion System to the staff with sufficient detail and alignment to perform the SE because NEI also wanted to exercise the SE process.
- One of NEI's expectations from the demonstration project was to see if the Staff would allow judgement in using GALL for components that are not in GALL but have an identical material, environment, and aging management program. This is an important attribute for industry and would maximize the benefit from GALL. NEI also wanted to find out if the "rolled up" methodology consistent with the SRP approach would be acceptable. This is primarily why two options were provided.
- NEI plans to submit the information requested above in a formal letter by May 11, 2001, or notify us promptly of any expected delays.