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The licensee's responses to the other items in the RAI are adequate.

We suggest that the revised DFP, when received, be reviewed to assure the changes noted above are included.

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