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MEMORANDUM TO: Stuart A. Richards, Director
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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MEETING WITH GE NUCLEAR ENERGY

On August 21, 2001, members of the staff met with the GE Nuclear Energy (GENE) to discuss issues regarding the GENE licensing topical report NEDC-32721P, "Application Methodology for the General Electric Stacked Disk ECCS Suction Strainers" and the staff response dated June 21, 2001 (ADAMS accession number ML011730036). A list of attendees and their affiliations is provided as Attachment 1. A copy of the handouts provided by GENE for their non-proprietary presentation can be found in ADAMS under accession number ML012340186.

In their presentation GENE stated that the subject is technically complex and that the documentation is contradictory and sometimes incorrect. There is a general misunderstanding of the process and values used in the documentation for the suction strainer load evaluation. Problems are more communication related than technology related. At the end of the presentation, the staff generally agreed with GENE on the definition and values of terms used in the evaluation.

GENE stated that they will issue a supplement to the topical report by modifying appropriate sections of NEDC-32721P and that the cover letter will state that the modified topical report will supersede previous correspondence.

In the staff's letter dated June 21, 2001, it was stated that in the absence of a plan to complete additional testing, the staff plans to issue its final evaluation of the topical report by September 30, 2001, and in the absence of an approved topical report, the NRC would contact affected licensees to request appropriate action. The staff now agrees that no additional testing is required and that the safety evaluation for closing this issue will be based on the review of the modified topical report.

S. A. Richards

GENE said that the modified topical report would be available no later than October 31, 2001. This meeting summary closes TAC No. M98500 and a new TAC will be opened upon receipt of the modified topical report.

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