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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF WESTINGHOUSE TOPICAL REPORT WCAP-15666,
"EXTENSION OF REACTOR COOLANT PUMP MOTOR FLYWHEEL
EXAMINATION" (MUHP-3043) FOR REVIEW (TAC NO. MB2819)

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The NRC staff has performed an acceptance review of the TR. The staff has determined that it meets the criteria in LIC-500 for acceptance for staff review and that it is complete enough for the staff to begin a technical review. The staff expects to issue RAIs (if any) by December 10, 2001. The staff estimates that the review will require approximately 220 review hours, and the target date for issuance of the SE will be May 31, 2002. The review hour estimate does not include time required to coordinate the review and develop and issue the SE. To enable the staff to complete the review on the schedule requested by the WOG, close and frequent communications between our technical staffs will be required.

If you have any questions, please call me at (301) 415-1421.

Sincerely,
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