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SUBJECT: COMPLETION OF LICENSING ACTION FOR GENERIC LETTER 97-04, "ASSURANCE OF SUFFICIENT NET POSITIVE SUCTION HEAD FOR EMERGENCY CORE COOLING AND CONTAINMENT HEAT REMOVAL PUMPS," -INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3 (TAC NO. MA0000)

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me on (301) 415-1494.

Sincerely,

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