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Attention: Chief, Information Management Branch
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Subject: NRC Review of TRACG Code for DSS-CD (TAC No. MB5705)

By Reference 1, GE submitted the Detect and Suppress Solution – Confirmation Density (DSS-CD) Licensing Topical Report (LTR), NEDC-33075P, Revision 2, for NRC review and approval. The DSS-CD LTR documents the qualification of the TRACG code in support of the DSS-CD application. The TRACG qualification is intended to support NRC review and approval of the TRACG code for the DSS-CD application.

On June 10, 2003, representatives of the NRC and GE discussed possible options to facilitate NRC approval of TRACG for the DSS-CD application. Based on that discussion, GE understands that the NRC desires a separate LTR addressing the qualifications of the TRACG code for the DSS-CD application in order to allow for a more detailed NRC review. GE also understands that the separate LTR would allow the NRC to complete the review of TRACG as documented in the DSS-CD LTR recognizing the limited duration of the stability event and the improvement in the CPR margins based, in part, on the increased uncertainty in the DSS-CD methodology and inherent increase due to the flow runback portion of the event.

Therefore, GE will provide a separate Licensing Topical Report documenting the qualification of TRACG for the DSS-CD application by October 2003. Further, if necessary, GE would revise the DSS-CD LTR, to reflect any required changes based on the NRC's review of the separate TRACG LTR for DSS-CD.


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1. MFN 02-087, Letter from George Stramback (GE) to NRC, November 6, 2002, *Submittal of GE Proprietary Licensing Topical Report NEDC-33075P, Revision 2, General Electric Boiling Water Reactor Detect and Suppress Solution – Confirmation Density*, November 2002

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