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SUBJECT: DONALD C. COOK NUCLEAR PLANT LICENSE RENEWAL REVIEW

Dear Mr. Klima:

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the Environmental Project Manager for the CNP project, Mr. Robert Schaaf at 301-415-1312 or rgs@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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