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Here is some additional information from Brad Harvey:

"I have no issues if Exelon wants to reference the 1998 version of ASCE-7 in lieu of the 2002 version. For climatic purposes, they do not need to update their information to the 2002 version since, I believe, the climatic data (e.g., site characteristic values for wind speeds and snow loads) are the same in both versions.

The 3-second gust wind speed data referenced in the 2002 version of ASCE-7 are also available in the 1998 version. (I believe that the 1998 version is the first version of ASCE-7 that references the "3-second gust" wind speed instead of the previous "fastest mile" wind speed for determining design wind loads. The previous version of ASCE-7 was issued in 1995).

Brad suggests shortening RAI 2.3.1-2 to read:

"Please provide a 3-second gust wind speed that represents a 100-year return period for the Clinton ESP site."

Please let me know if this additional information answers your question.

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