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RE: LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST TO ADOPT GENERIC CHANGES TO
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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ISSUES RELATED TO THE LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST TO REVISE TECHNICAL

SPECIFICATIONS - ADOPTION OF GENERIC CHANGES TO STANDARD TECHNICAL

SPECIFICATIONS

COOPER NUCLEAR STATION

DOCKET NO. 50-298

1. The proposed note 2 to surveillance requirement (SR) 3.8.2.1 states that "SR 3.8.1.11 is considered to be met without the ECCS initiation signals OPERABLE when the ECCS initiation signals are not required to be OPERABLE per Table 3.3.5.1-1." This is not consistent with TSTF 300-A, Rev. 0 which states "SR 3.8.1.12 and SR 3.8.1.19 are not required to be met when associated ECCS subsystem(s) are not required to be OPERABLE per LCO 3.5.2, "ECCS - Shutdown."
 - a.) The proposed note states that SR 3.8.1.11 is considered to be met. Provide a justification for this modification. In addition, explain what does "considered to be met" mean? Also, provide the status of SR 3.8.1.11 during "ECCS - Shutdown."
 - b.) Explain why the proposed note did not include the statement that associated ECCS subsystem(s) are not required to be OPERABLE per LCO 3.5.2, "ECCS - Shutdown."
2. In Section 4.3 of the amendment request, you stated that although the DG is not required to start in response to ECCS initiation signals, the DG is still required to meet the other attributes of SR 3.8.1.11 when associated ECCS initiation signals are not required to be operable per TS Table 3.3.5.1-1. Provide which attributes will be met and how this SR will be performed.

Enclosure