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November 3, 2005

Ms. Pamela F. Faggert
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RE: Federal Consistency Certification under Coastal Zone Management Act,
Virginia Coastal Resources Management Program: North Anna Early
Site Permit Application - DEQ-05-079F

Dear Ms. Faggert:

Thank you for your October 25, 2005, letter requesting an additional extension of 45 days, from November 7, to obtain the Commonwealth's comments on the Federal Consistency Certification which was originally submitted on March 21, 2005. In your October 25 letter, you stated Dominion has decided to modify its approach to cooling a third nuclear reactor unit at the North Anna Power Station from the base case presented in the Early Site Permit (ESP) application. The revised approach would reduce both water consumption and water temperature impacts associated with the originally proposed cooling system. As stated in your letter, details of this proposal will be provided before the end of the requested extension period.

As we discussed recently, Dominion and DEQ have mutually agreed to a stay of the consistency time clock for a period to be determined after the receipt of the proposed revisions to the referenced ESP application and sufficient time to develop an agreed upon schedule to complete a thorough review of the modified approach for the third unit.

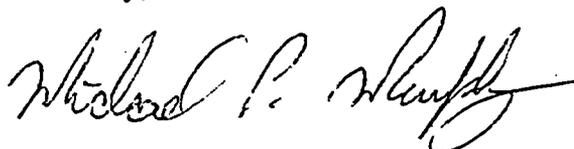
Your October 25 extension request follows a September 16 request for a 45-day extension of the review period for the above Federal Consistency Certification and DEQ's September 20 agreement. That agreement resulted in changing the deadline for the completion of the Commonwealth's review of the federal consistency certification from September 20 to November 7, 2005. This second request would, if agreed to, move the date for the completion of our review from November 7 to December 22.

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Please let me know in writing before November 7, 2005, if Dominion disagrees with this stay of the review period for the referenced federal consistency certification. If you have any questions, please contact me at telephone 698-4003 or Ellie Irons at 698-4325.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Murphy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Michael P. Murphy, Director
Division of Environmental Enhancement

cc: ✓ Jack Cushing, NRC
Ellie L. Irons, DEQ-OEIR
Reviewing agencies