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Subject: WOG Program to Update Section 2 of NUREG-1122, "Knowledge and Abilities Catalog for Nuclear Power Plant Operators: Pressurized Water Reactors", PA-OSC-0139

Dear Mr. Trimble:

The purpose of this letter is provide additional information regarding the Westinghouse Owners Group (WOG) program to revise Section 2 of NUREG-1122, "Knowledge and Abilities Catalog for Nuclear Power Plant Operators: Pressurized Water Reactors." During the October 25, 2005 public meeting regarding the WOG program, concerns were raised regarding the proposed revision to Section 2 of the NRC K/A Catalog and the implications of proceeding without the support of the Boiling Water Reactor Owners Group (BWROG).

Following the public meeting, the WOG Program Management Office (PMO) has had several discussions with BWROG representatives regarding the potential for a Joint Owner's Group program. As of November 17, the BWROG has agreed to participate on a limited funding basis through 2005 and will pursue additional funding in the coming months. The current level of participation will allow the GE BWROG representative to recruit and organize reactor and senior reactor operators to participate in the remainder of the program, including participation in the upcoming survey to rerate the K/As that were substantively changed.

Additionally, per the NRC request, the WOG has agreed to include the following K/As in the upcoming survey.

- 1) Knowledge of the process for managing maintenance activities during power operations, such as risk assessments, work prioritization, coordination with the transmission system operator.
- 2) Ability to analyze the effect of maintenance activities (such as degraded power sources) on the status of conditions for operations.
- 3) Knowledge of which events related to system operation/status should be reported to internal organizations or external agencies (e.g., the state, the NRC, or the transmission system operator).

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