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**TERMINATION OF PILOT PLANT STATUS FOR RISK INFORMED TECHNICAL
SPECIFICATION INITIATIVES
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NUMBER NPF-57
DOCKET NO. 50-354**

- References: 1) PSEG Nuclear, LLC Letter, "Risk-Informed Technical Specifications Pilot Plant Request for Fee Waiver," dated March 17, 2004
- 2) NRC letter to PSEG Nuclear LLC, dated August 16, 2004

In Reference (1), PSEG Nuclear LLC (PSEG) requested NRC consideration of Hope Creek as a pilot plant for Risk Informed Technical Specification Initiatives 4b and 6. In Reference (2), the NRC approved PSEG's request.

PSEG has decided, due to competing priorities, to end its participation in the pilot plant program for the implementation of the subject initiatives. PSEG continues to encourage the NRC in its efforts to implement the risk-informed regulation plan, and specifically its work in support of risk informed Technical Specifications.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me at 856-339-1740.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darin M Benyak".

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