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SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT RELATED TO THE LICENSE RENEWAL OF

BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 (TAC NOS. MC1704,

MC1705, AND MC1706)

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the license renewal project manager, Ram Subbaratnam, at 301-415-1478 or via e-mail at RXS2@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA PTKuo for/

Frank P. Gillespie, Director Division of License Renewal Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-259, 50-260, and 50-296

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