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SUBJECT: BEAVER VALLEY NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2
ISSUANCE OF SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION
BRANCH FOR THE CONVERSION TO THE IMPROVED TECHNICAL
SPECIFICATIONS (TAC NOS. MC6285 AND MC6286)

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Sincerely,

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