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SUBJECT: BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2; BYRON STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2; CLINTON POWER STATION, UNIT 1; DRESDEN NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3; LASALLE COUNTY STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2; LIMERICK GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2; OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION; PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION, UNIT NOS. 1, 2, AND 3; QUAD CITIES NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2; THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1; AND ZION NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2 - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE: APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE TO QUALITY ASSURANCE TOPICAL REPORT (TAC NOS. MD1270 THROUGH MD1286 AND L52686 THROUGH L52689)

Dear Mr. Crane:

By letter to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dated April 24, 2006, AmerGen Energy Company, LLC and Exelon Generation Company, LLC, submitted a request for approval of a change to the quality assurance topical report. The proposed change reassigns the Nuclear Safety Review Board independent review responsibilities of technical specification changes, license amendments, and emergency plan changes to the Plant Operations Review Committee.

The NRC staff is reviewing your submittal and has determined that additional information is required to complete the review. The specific information requested is addressed in the enclosure to this letter. During a discussion with your staff on June 7, 2006, it was agreed that you would provide a response within 30 days of the date of this letter.

The NRC staff considers that timely responses to requests for additional information help ensure sufficient time is available for staff review and contribute toward the NRC's goal of

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Note: The code provided in parenthesis after each question refers to the request for addition information (RAI) categorization codes listed at the end of the RAI.

In reviewing the AmerGen Energy Company, LLC and Exelon Generation Company, LLC's, submittal dated April 24, 2006, related to a request for approval of a change to the quality assurance topical report, the NRC staff has determined that the following information is needed in order to complete its review:

1. Describe how the Nuclear Safety Review Board (NSRB) currently assesses the effectiveness of the Plant Operations Review Committee (PORC) reviews (Category 4).
2. Describe how the NSRB will assess PORC effectiveness in implementing the proposed additional review functions (Category 4).

Enclosure

RAI CATEGORIES

(Select only one, most dominant category for each RAI question)

1. More information is needed because of:
 - a. complexity of request
 - b. first-of-a-kind nature of request
 - c. NRC change in regulatory significance or focus
 - d. NRC questions on previously used methodology or guidance
 - e. licensee change to previously used methodology
 - f. licensee reduction in current safety margin

2. The review can not be completed without additional explanation or clarification of:
 - a. input variables or analytical assumptions
 - b. methodology used or results obtained
 - c. applicability or bounding nature of third party analyses or data correlations
 - d. differences from NRC guidance documents (SRP, RG, etc.)
 - e. no significant hazards consideration discussion
 - f. environmental considerations discussion
 - g. applicable regulatory requirements discussion
 - h. information that appears to be incorrect and needs to be corrected
 - i. response to previous RAI appears inadequate

3. Reviewer requesting information even though the question is, or the question asks for:
 - a. not directly related to the request
 - b. inconsistent with applicable codes, standards, RGs, or SRP sections
 - c. information accessible from readily available sources and was explicitly referenced
 - d. information does not appear needed given the precedent cases discussed in the request
 - e. information that is not safety significant or pertinent to the regulatory finding
 - f. information that is known to engineers who work in the general technical area
 - g. going beyond the current licensing basis and doesn't need to be asked
 - h. a formal commitment

4. Other: The staff needs the information to understand how the reduction in commitments affects the way Exelon will conduct its independent safety review of technical specification changes, license amendments, and emergency plan changes.