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RE: RISK-INFORMED INSERVICE INSPECTION RELIEF REQUEST FOURTH
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Sincerely,

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RISK-INFORMED INSERVICE INSPECTION RELIEF REQUEST
FOURTH 10-YEAR INSERVICE INSPECTION PROGRAM RELIEF REQUEST NO. RI-34
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-46
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT
COOPER NUCLEAR STATION
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1. Based on a composite of the tables provided in the enclosure to letter No. NLS2006015, it appears that the fourth interval and third interval risk-informed inservice inspection (RI-ISI) programs are nearly identical. However, there are two aspects of the fourth interval program that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff is unable to discern from what was provided:
 - a. Have there been any changes to the 61 locations selected for nondestructive examination for the fourth interval, relative to the 61 locations selected during the original (third interval relief request) RI-ISI program evaluation (within a given system and risk category)? If so, please identify them and give the rationale for those changes.
 - b. Are there any significant issues or changes to the Cooper probabilistic safety assessment (PSA) model that was used to support your RI-ISI renewal request? If so, please summarize your assessment of the impact of resolving these issues on the RI-ISI application for the fourth ISI interval. If changes have been made to the PSA model, provide a summary of the changes that will have an affect on the RI-ISI application for the fourth ISI interval.

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