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SUBJECT: RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REVIEW OF SECURITY PLAN

CHANGES SUBMITTED TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY

COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH

10 CFR 50.54(p)

REFERENCE: FEBRUARY 2, 2006, MEMORANDUM, "FORMAL NOTIFICATION

OF A SHIFT IN RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REVIEW OF SECURITY PLAN CHANGES SUBMITTED TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE

WITH 10 CFR 50.54(p)," (ML060030450)

In accordance with the referenced memorandum, the Division of Security Policy (DSP) staff has been piloting a procedure for the review and assessment of all nuclear power plant licensee-submitted security plan changes conducted in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.54(p). As a result of a review of the implementation of that procedure and subsequent discussions with the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) and the Office of the General Counsel (OGC), DSP is considering fundamental changes to the procedure. The changes in procedure were also the subject of a teleconference held on December 20, 2006, with NRR, DSP, and Regional staff.

The February 2, 2006, memorandum informed Regional Administrators that Attachment 1, Inspection Procedure 71130.06, Inspection Requirement 02.01 and 04 of the Revised Baseline Inspection Program were no longer the responsibility of the Regions and could be considered superseded by the February 2, 2006 memorandum for calendar year 2005 and that the procedure would be updated accordingly. Due to the changes being considered, the updated procedure has not been finalized. Therefore, this memorandum informs the Deputy Regional Administrators that Attachment 1, Inspection Procedure 71130.06, Inspection Requirement 02.01 and 04 of the Revised Baseline Inspection Program can also be considered superseded for calendar year 2006.

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