

February 20, 2007

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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC  
COMPANY (WESTINGHOUSE) TOPICAL REPORT (TR) WCAP-16606-P,  
"SUPPLEMENT 2 TO BISON TOPICAL REPORT RPA 90-90-P-A"  
(TAC NO. MD2952)

Dear Mr. Gresham:

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Section 170.21 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* requires that TRs are subject to fees based on the full cost of the review. You did not request a fee waiver; therefore, NRC staff hours will be billed accordingly.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Jon H. Thompson, of my staff, at (301) 415-1119.

Sincerely,

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