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RAI 1. Section 17.X.2 "Maintenance Rule [MR] Training and Qualification" states that "The MR Program is supported by appropriate training and qualification for designated personnel, commensurate with their involvement in MR activities." The COL applicant is expected to provide a description of the MR training and qualification program per Regulatory Guide 1.206 "Combined License Applications for Nuclear Power Plants." Briefly describe how the applicant will meet this expectation.

RAI 2. Section 17.X.5 "Maintenance Rule Program Implementation" states that the "MR Program documents will be developed, maintained and operational…" Clarify that the MR Program will be implemented by the time that initial fuel loading has been authorized.

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