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Subject:

ESBWR Instrumentation Setpoint Methodology -- Supplemental Response to RAI 7.2-36, Supplement 1

On May 10, 2007, GE met with the NRC staff (Accession No. ML071160277) to discuss the proprietary ESBWR instrumentation setpoint methodology outlined in response to RAI 7.2-36, Supplement 1 (Reference 1). To address issues discussed at this meeting, GEH has prepared the Enclosure 1 proprietary setpoint methodology to be referenced in the ESBWR DCD (DCD changes addressed in separate correspondence). The enclosed setpoint methodology is based on the previous NRC accepted GE setpoint methodology, NEDC 31336P-A (Reference 2), updated to reflect a graded approach as provided in NUREG-0800, Standard Review Plan, BTP HICB-12, and information contained in Regulatory Information Summary (RIS) 2006-017, "NRC Staff Position on the Requirements of 10 CFR 50.36, 'Technical Specifications,' Regarding Limiting Safety System Settings During Periodic Testing and Calibration of Instrument Channels."

Enclosure 1 contains proprietary information as defined in 10CFR2.390. The affidavit contained in Enclosure 3 identifies that the information contained in Enclosure 1 has been handled and classified as proprietary to GEH. GEH hereby requests that the proprietary information in Enclosure 1 be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.390 and 9.17. Enclosure 2 contains a non-proprietary version of the setpoint methodology.

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If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the information provided here, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Reference:

- 1. MFN 07-015, Supplement 1, Letter from James C. Kinsey to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, *Response to NRC Request for Additional Information Email A. Howe (NRC) to D. Hinds (GE), Dated November 16, 2006 Related to ESBWR Design Certification Application - Instrumentation and Control - RAI Number 7.2-36, Supplement 1, May 15, 2007*
- 2. GE Nuclear Energy, "General Electric Instrument Setpoint Methodology," NEDC 31336P-A, September 1996

Enclosures:

- 1. GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy, "GEH ABWR/ESBWR Setpoint Methodology," NEDE-33304P, Revision 0, October 2007, Class III – Proprietary Version
- 2. GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy, "GEH ABWR/ESBWR Setpoint Methodology," NEDO-33304, Revision 0, October 2007, Class I – Non-Proprietary Version
- 3. Affidavit David Hinds dated October 23, 2007

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Enclosure 1

GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy, "GEH ABWR/ESBWR Setpoint Methodology," NEDE-33304P, Revision 0, October 2007, Class III - Proprietary Version

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