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Mr. William D. Reckley
Chief
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
MS 6 C34
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Subject: Request for Extension of Public Comment Period on Proposed COL/DC-ISG-02, "Interim Staff Guidance on Financial Qualifications for Combined License (COL) Applications"

Project Number 689

Dear Mr. Reckley:

We appreciate your letter of October 30, 2007, inviting industry comment on proposed Interim Staff Guidance (ISG) on financial qualifications for COL applicants. We expect to provide comments on this proposed ISG, but require additional time to do so. We will provide the industry comments by December 21, 2007. The additional time is necessary due to the heavy engagement of key companies affected by this guidance in first-of-a-kind COL application activities.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RJB", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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c: Mr. Ramachandran Subbaratnam, NRC
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