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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF PROPOSED GESTAR II AMENDMENT 31,
STABILITY ANALYSIS AND SRLR TEMPLATE UPDATE (TAC NO. MD8425)

Dear Mr. Lingenfelter:

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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 Michelle C. Honcharik at (301) 415-1774.

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