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Response to Request for Additional Information Regarding ANP-10286P, "U.S. EPR Rod Ejection Accident Methodology Topical Report"

- Ref. 1: Letter, Ronnie L. Gardner (AREVA NP Inc.) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Request for Review and Approval of ANP-10286P, 'U.S. EPR Rod Ejection Accident Methodology Topical Report'," NRC:07:065, November 20, 2007.
- Ref. 2: Letter, Getachew Tesfaye (NRC) to Ronnie L. Gardner (AREVA NP Inc.), "Request for Additional Information Regarding ANP-10286, 'U.S. EPR Rod Ejection Accident Methodology Topical Report'," May 16, 2008.
- Ref. 3: Letter, Getachew Tesfaye (NRC) to Ronnie L. Gardner (AREVA NP Inc.), "AREVA NP INC. – Acceptance for Review of ANP-10286, 'U.S. EPR Rod Ejection Accident Methodology Topical Report'," March 14, 2008.

AREVA NP Inc. (AREVA NP) requested the NRC's review and approval of topical report ANP-10286P, "U.S. EPR Rod Ejection Accident Methodology Topical Report" in Reference 1. The NRC provided a request for additional information (RAI) regarding this topical report in Reference 2. The response to that RAI is enclosed with this letter, ANP-10286PQ1, "Response to Request for Additional Information—ANP-10286P."

The responses to the two RAI questions posed in Reference 2 (including the associated data files) are provided on the enclosed compact disk (CD) and do not contain any information that AREVA NP considers to be proprietary.

AREVA NP references topical report ANP-10286P in the Final Safety Analysis Report for the U.S. EPR. Reference 3 states that the NRC plans to complete its review of the topical report and issue the draft safety evaluation by May 31, 2009. AREVA NP understands that this timely response to the RAI supports the scheduled deliverable of the draft safety evaluation.

If you have any questions related to this submittal, please contact Ms. Sandra M. Sloan, Regulatory Affairs Manager for New Plants Deployment. She may be reached by telephone at 434-832-2369 or by e-mail at sandra.sloan@areva.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ronnie L. Gardner".

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