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Rick:

We are reviewing your 6/26/08 application for amendment. Our reviewer, Frank Orr, has the following draft RAI question that we would like to discuss with you in a conference call.

Your application identifies the worst-case event as a recirculation line break event. For this event, protection systems appear to respond with acceptable consequences. Please discuss a feedwater line break event and protection systems response, showing that the consequences are not greater than those of the recirculation line break event. In a feedwater line break event, is the RPS qualified for the environment? Does the operator have to take actions? If so, show that the operator can act on a timely basis to depressurize the reactor vessel so that other mitigating equipment can function.

The sole purpose of this e-mail is to prepare you and others for the proposed conference call. **This e-mail does not formally request for additional information, and does not convey a formal NRC staff position.** With or without the requested conference call, we plan to formally issue the above draft RAI in final form around 10/17/08.

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