

October 22, 2008

Mr. Michael D. Wadley
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Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant
Nuclear Management Company, LLC
1717 Wakonade Drive East
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SUBJECT: SCHEDULE FOR REVIEW OF NUCLEAR MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC
AMENDMENT REQUEST TO MODIFY THE TN-40 CASK DESIGN AT THE
PRAIRIE ISLAND INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL STORAGE INSTALLATION
(ISFSI)

Dear Mr. Wadley:

On March 28, 2008, supplemented August 29, 2008, Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) submitted an application to amend Special Nuclear Material License No. 2506 and the license Technical Specifications (TS) for the Prairie Island ISFSI in accordance with 10 CFR Part 72 (ML081400652). This amendment proposes to modify the TN-40 cask for storage of high enrichment and high burnup fuel and to reformat the TS.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the staff has completed a technical acceptance review of your application and has determined that it contains the information necessary to satisfy established review process and schedule criteria. The schedule below establishes the key milestones and dates associated with the subject application. With your assistance, the staff's goal is to issue the renewed license, or otherwise document its licensing decision, including its Safety Evaluation Report (SER), by September 2009. Please note that this schedule is independent of any hearing that may be requested and granted in accordance with NRC regulations.

Prairie Island ISFSI License Amendment

MILESTONES

DATES

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| 1. NMC Application Received | 08/29/2008 Completed |
| 2. NRC Acceptance Review | 10/10/2008 Completed |
| 3. NRC Commences Technical Review | 10/14/2008 Completed |
| 4. NRC Issues Request for Additional Information (RAI) | 03/14/2009 Target |
| 5. RAI Meeting Scheduled, if needed | 04/30/2009 Target |
| 6. NMC responds to RAI | 06/12/2009 Target |
| 7. NRC Issues Renewed License and SER | 09/27/2009 Target |

To meet the above schedule, NMC must respond promptly and comprehensively to staff RAIs. Delays or insufficient responses may result in significant impacts to the overall review schedule, as key NRC staff may have other work assignments. The schedule is based on the staff issuing only one RAI. Should the staff determine that a second RAI is necessary, the remainder of the review will be rescheduled. Please notify me in writing, at your earliest opportunity, of any instance which may result in your inability to meet the

above schedule. Similarly, the NRC staff will provide prompt notification to you in the event that emergent work requiring a higher priority necessitates a revision to this schedule.

Please refer to Docket Number 72-10 and TAC No. L24203 in future correspondence related to review of this application. If you have any questions regarding our review, you may contact me at (301) 492-3335.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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