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Subject:

Response to Portion of NRC Request for Additional Information Letter No. 232 Related to ESBWR Design Certification Application – Technical Specifications – RAI Number 16.2-166

Enclosure 1 contains the GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy (GEH) response to the subject NRC RAI transmitted via the Reference 1 letter.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the information provided here, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Reference:

1. MFN 08-670, Letter from U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to Robert E. Brown, Request for Additional Information Letter No. 232 Related to ESBWR Design Certification Application, August 29, 2008

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Enclosure 1

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Limiting Condition of Operation (LCO) 3.5.2 Gravity Driven Cooling System (GDCS)-Operating: In order to be consistent with LCO 3.5.3 GDCS-Shutdown, the staff requests that GEH include GDCS Pools in LCO 3.5.2.

GEH Response

This RAI appears to be based on the wording for these two LCOs that appeared in DCD Revision 4. This issue has been addressed by the changes incorporated in DCD Revision 5.

DCD Impact

No DCD changes will be made in response to this RAI.