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**Subject:** Submittal of NEI 08-02, *Problem Identification and Resolution for New Nuclear Power Plants During Construction*, Revision 0, December 2008

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The enclosure provides NEI 08-02, *Problem Identification and Resolution for New Nuclear Power Plants During Construction*, Revision 0, for NRC review and endorsement. This document provides guidance to Combined Operating License applicants and their suppliers in problem identification and resolution for use during construction of new nuclear power plants.

The industry has developed this document to provide guidance and establish consistency in the implementation of quality assurance program requirements related to problem identification and resolution. During public meetings with the industry, NRC has stated that they plan to conduct inspections of problem identification and resolution program at new nuclear power plant construction sites. During those NRC meetings, the industry discussed plans to develop the enclosed guideline document. NRC endorsement of NEI 08-02 is expected to reduce the overall amount of time necessary to conduct the NRC inspections and facilitate a determination on the acceptability of licensee programs.

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If you have any questions, please contact me or Jim Fiscaro (202-739-8018; jjf@nei.org).

Sincerely,

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