

March 18, 2009

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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF GE-HITACHI NUCLEAR ENERGY
AMERICAS, LLC (GEH) CORRECTION PAGES FOR TOPICAL REPORT
NEDC-32851P-A, REVISION 4, "GEXL14 CORRELATION FOR GE14 FUEL"
(TAC NO. ME0314)

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Section 170.21 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* requires that TRs are subject to fees based on the full cost of the review. You did not request a fee waiver; therefore, NRC staff hours will be billed accordingly.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Stephen Philpott at (301) 415-2365.

Sincerely,

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