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SUBJECT: NORTH ANNA UNIT 3 COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION REVIEW SCHEDULE

Dear Mr. Grecheck:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has updated its schedule for review of the Dominion Virginia Power (Dominion) combined license application (COLA) for North Anna Unit 3. This schedule supersedes the review schedule provided you by letter dated February 27, 2008, and reflects the recent update to the staff's review schedule for the Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR) design certification (DC). The COLA and DC review schedules are linked since the North Anna COLA, pursuant to 10 CFR Part 52, incorporates by reference the ESBWR design.

The North Anna COLA review schedule encompasses both the safety and environmental comprehensive reviews. The updated safety schedule supports issuance of a Final Safety Evaluation Report in February 2011. The environmental schedule is being evaluated but currently remains unchanged and supports issuance of a final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement in December 2009. Milestones for the phases of both the safety and environmental reviews are provided in Table 1. The detailed review schedule associated with Table 1 is posted on the NRC's public website (<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/col/north-anna.html>).

It should be noted that a significant portion of the North Anna COLA safety review schedule is dependent upon the DC review schedule. Therefore, any subsequent updates to the ESBWR DC schedule are likely to impact the schedule for the North Anna COLA review.

Consistent with staff practice, the North Anna COLA schedule does not model the hearing process. The schedule for the mandatory hearing will be developed by the Commission or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board and, therefore, is not included in Table 1.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-0224 or TAK@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Table 1: North Anna COLA Review Schedule

Phase of Safety Review	Completion Date (Actual – A, Target – T)
<i>Safety Review</i>	
Phase 1 - Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) Issued to Applicant	08/29/08 - A
Phase 2 - SER with Open Items (incorporating COLA Rev 1) Issued	07/24/09 - T
Phase 3 - ACRS Review of SER with Open Items Complete	11/04/09 - T
Phase 4 - Advanced SER with no Open Items Issued	09/02/10 - T
Phase 5 - ACRS Review of SER with no Open Items Complete	12/21/10 - T
Phase 6 - Final SER Issued	02/15/11 - T
<i>Environmental Review</i>	
Phase 1 - Environmental impact statement (EIS) summary report issued	09/05/08 - A
Phase 2 - Draft EIS issued to EPA	12/19/08 - A
Phase 3 - Response to public comments on draft EIS issued	06/09 - T
Phase 4 - Final EIS issued to EPA	12/09 - T

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