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Mr. Kevin Williams Chief, Licensing and Inspection Branch Division of Preparedness and Response Nuclear Security and Incident Response U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Ref: Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Suspense Date for the Interim Finding Report (IFR) for Open Items (OI) for the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant (BBNPP) Combined License (COL) Application

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program staff from FEMA Headquarters (HQ) hereby requests an extension to the schedule for the IFR for OIs for the BBNPP COL application. FEMA needs an additional 30 days to review and coordinate IFR formats with our regional personnel. Therefore, FEMA will submit the IFR for OIs on December 1, 2009 rather than the scheduled date of October 16, 2009, to allow for our 30 business-day review.

Should you or members of your staff have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Bonnie Sheffield at (202) 212-2120 or Mr. Harry Nash at (202) 212-2317.

Sincerely,

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cc: D. Hammons, FEMA Region III