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From: Renee Pedersen , O&E
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2008 11:05 AM
To: Ralph Architzel
Cc: Stewart Magruder
Subject: Acceptance of DPO

Ralph,

In accordance with the procedures included in MD 10.159, I have received, screened, and accepted your DPO for review under the DPO process.

Your DPO (which raises concerns about the NRC staff closure process for Generic Safety Issue (GSI)-191, including associated activities such as review of Generic letter (GL) 2004-02) has been assigned the tracking number DPO-2008-001.

I will soon be forwarding this DPO to Eric Leeds, NRR, OD for appropriate dispositioning. I will contact you when the DPO Panel has been established.

Your differing view is welcomed and valued and will be appropriately considered. An important aspect of our internal safety culture is respect. As such, all employees involved in the process are instructed to exercise discretion and treat this matter sensitively. Documents will be distributed on an as-need basis. In an effort to reserve your privacy and keep the focus on the issues, employees are instructed to simply refer to you as the DPO submitter. Please note that these procedures do not prevent you from discussing your concerns.

Finally, retaliation for engaging in the DPO process is not tolerated. In the event you believe that you have been harassed, intimidated, or retaliated against for engaging in the DPO process, please contact me as soon as possible.

Thank you for pursuing your concern and engaging in the DPO process. A free and open discussion of differing views is essential to the development of sound regulatory policy and decisions.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about your DPO or DPO-related issues.

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