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SUBJECT: PSEG SITE EARLY SITE PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEW SCHEDULE

Dear Mr. Lewis:

By letter dated August 4, 2010, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) informed PSEG Power, LLC and PSEG Nuclear LLC (PSEG) that the NRC had docketed the PSEG Site Early Site Permit (ESP) application and that the staff would be developing the full review schedule with public milestones and would communicate it to you as soon as it is finalized. By this letter, the NRC staff hereby transmits the technical review schedule.

The PSEG Site ESP application technical review schedule encompasses both the safety and environmental reviews. Milestones for both reviews are listed in the Enclosure. Consistent with previous reviews, the PSEG Site ESP schedule does not include a model of the hearing process. Additionally, the ESP review schedule is based, in part, on the assumption that responses to the staff's requests for additional information (RAIs) will be submitted within 30 days after the issuance of final RAIs. It is anticipated that responses to RAIs will be complete and technically correct, and will provide information sufficient to resolve the staff's concerns.

As the advanced safety evaluation (Phase B) progresses, the staff will review and re-baseline the safety review schedule, as needed. Similarly, the staff will revise the environmental review schedule, as needed, once improved information regarding issues that may impact the schedule for issuance of the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) has been acquired. After the public comment period on the draft EIS ends, the staff will again review and re-baseline, if necessary, the environmental review schedule. At this point, the staff will have a better understanding of whether any issues have been identified that could affect the schedule for issuing the final EIS.

It is the staff's goal to provide PSEG with a review schedule and process that is easy to follow and supports both the identification and resolution of complex issues as early in the review process as possible. To ensure that this occurs, the staff intends to engage PSEG as the ESP review progresses to address schedule details and potential refinements.

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Should you have any questions or comments, I can be reached at (301) 415-1647 or at [Prosanta.Chowdhury@nrc.gov](mailto:Prosanta.Chowdhury@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:  
Review Schedule Milestones

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PSEG Site Early Site Permit Application Review Schedule Milestones

Safety Review	Completion Date Target - T
Phase A - Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) and Supplemental RAIs issued	01/2012-T
Phase B - Advanced safety evaluation (SE) with no Open Items developed	11/2012-T
Phase C - ACRS meeting on Advanced SE	03/2013-T
Phase D - Final safety evaluation report (SER) issued	07/2013-T

Environmental Review	Completion Date Target - T
Phase 1 - Scoping period ends	12/2010-T
Phase 2 - Draft EIS issued to EPA	03/2012-T
Phase 3 - Public comment period for Draft EIS ends	07/2012-T
Phase 4 - Final EIS issued to EPA	03/2013-T

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