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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE REVIEW FOR THE TOSHIBA DESIGN CERTIFICATION
RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR THE U.S. ADVANCED BOILING WATER
REACTOR

Dear Mr. Okamura:

In a letter dated October 27, 2010, you stated that you were submitting a design certification (DC) renewal application for the U.S. Advanced Boiling Water Reactor (ABWR) pursuant to the requirements of Subpart B, "Standard Design Certifications," of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 52, "Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Nuclear Power Plants." On November 2, 2010, you tendered the DC renewal application for the U.S. ABWR. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) acknowledged receipt of the Toshiba application in a letter dated November 18, 2010. This letter informs you that the NRC staff has completed its acceptance review and has determined that your application is acceptable for docketing. The docket number established for the Toshiba ABWR DC renewal is 52-044. Please use this docket number on all future correspondence regarding the renewal.

As stated in the NRC's letter dated November 18, 2010, the staff intends to publish a schedule for review of the Toshiba DC renewal application for the U.S. ABWR. This schedule will be consistent with the resources and priorities of the NRC's Office of New Reactors. The staff plans to meet with you in the near future to discuss your application and share the staff's draft review guidelines for ABWR DC renewal applications. Subsequent to that meeting, the staff will discuss development of the technical review schedule with you.

K. Okamura

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The enclosed notice of acceptance for docketing has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register. Should you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, I can be reached at (301) 415-6590, via e-mail at david.misenhimer@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

David B. Matthews, Director
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Office of New Reactors

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