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**BELL BEND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
EXTENSION REQUESTS FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL REQUESTS FOR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
USACE-2 AND USACE-2a
BNP-2011-048 Docket No. 52-039**

References: 1) R. R. Sgarro (PPL Bell Bend, LLC) to Document Control Desk (NRC),
Submittal of BBNPP RAI Schedule Information, BNP-2010-155, dated
August 4, 2010

The purpose of this letter is to notify the staff that additional time is required to finalize the responses to Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) USACE-2 and USACE-2a slated for submittal on February 28, 2011, as conveyed in Reference 1.

As the staff is aware, PPL is preparing a Joint Permit Application (JPA) for the Bell Bend Nuclear Power Plant. Information being requested in USACE-2 and USACE-2a is an integral part of the JPA. Accordingly, PPL is currently working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the NRC staff to determine if these and certain other open USACE RAIs can be closed based on the impending submittal of the JPA. We currently expect a decision that will support final RAI responses on or before March 30, 2011.

This letter creates one new regulatory commitment to provide responses to the above RAIs by the above date.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please contact the undersigned at 570.802.8102.

Respectfully,

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