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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF GE HITACHI NUCLEAR ENERGY TOPICAL REPORT (TR) NEDE-33147P, REVISION 3, "LICENSING TOPICAL REPORT DSS-CD TRACG APPLICATION" (TAC NO. ME5406)

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Section 170.21 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* requires that TRs are subject to fees based on the full cost of the review. You did not request a fee waiver; therefore, NRC staff hours will be billed accordingly.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Stephen S. Philpott at (301) 415-2365.

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