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Subject: PWR Owners Group
PWROG Program to Extend the Surveillance Frequency for the SSPS Actuation Logic and Master Relay Surveillances to 18 Months (PA-SEE-0413)

The PWROG met with the NRC staff on February 29, 2008 to discuss a PWROG program that proposed to extend the Technical Specifications Surveillance Frequency for the Solid State Protection System (SSPS) Actuation Logic and Master Relay Surveillances from 92 days on a Staggered Test Basis to one time each 18 months. The proposed Surveillance Frequency extension for the Actuation Logic Test is associated with Westinghouse NSSS plants equipped with the Westinghouse SSPS that have installed or plan to install the new-design undervoltage driver, safeguards driver, universal logic, and semi-automatic tester printed circuit boards (PCBs). Since the Master Relay Test is typically performed at the same time as the Actuation Logic Test, its Frequency was also proposed to be extended.

At this meeting, the PWROG stated that a Topical Report (TR) would be prepared that contained the technical justification for the Surveillance Frequency extensions and that the TR would be submitted to the NRC for review and approval. The technical justification would be risk-informed, consistent with Regulatory Guide 1.174.

With respect to the proposed Technical Specifications changes, the PWROG stated that the Frequency changes would be implemented either via a License Amendment Request, or the Surveillance Frequency Control Program for the plants that implement TSTF-425, Rev. 3, "Relocate Surveillance Frequencies to Licensee Control- Risk-Informed Technical Specification Task Force (RITSTF) Initiative 5b." The Notice of Availability for TSTF-425 was published in the Federal Register on July 6, 2009.

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Subquent to the February 29, 2008 meeting, several of the PWROG members participaing in this PWROG program have implemented TSTF-425, and other members plan to implement it.

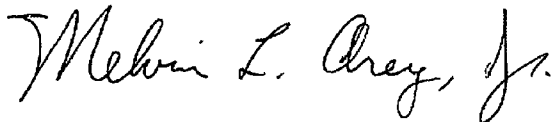
The purpose of this letter is to inform the NRC that the PWROG will not be submitting the TR that justifies the SSPS logic and master relay Technical Specifications Surveillance Frequency extensions for NRC review and approval as discussed in the February 29, 2008 meeting. Instead, the TR will be provided to participating PWROG members as part of the technical basis for an evaluation pursuant to the plant-specific Surveillance Frequency Control Program in accordance with NEI 04-10 Rev.1 guidance.

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