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SUBJECT: R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant Docket No. 50-244

<u>Emergency Response Data System (ERDS) Transition from Existing</u> <u>Modem to Virtual Private Network Technology</u>

REFERENCE: (a) NRC Regulatory Issue Summary 2009-13, "Emergency Response Data System Upgrade from Modem to a Virtual Private Network Appliance"

The following information is being provided in accordance with the 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section VI.3.b requirement that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) be notified at least 30 days prior to any change that could affect the transmission format and computer communication protocol to the Emergency Response Data System (ERDS). In accordance with Reference (a), R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, LLC contacted the ERDS support desk on November 11, 2010 to notify the NRC of our intent to participate in the voluntary program to transition ERDS from modem-based communication to virtual private network (VPN) appliance technology.

We anticipate a complete transition from the modem to the VPN appliance by June 30, 2011, pending coordinated testing and scheduling with the NRC's ERDS transition team. The transition will not occur prior to June 17, 2011 to insure compliance with the 30 day notification requirement of 10 CFR 50, Appendix E.

Upgrade of the ERDS modem to VPN represents a voluntary enhancement. This letter does not contain any regulatory commitments.

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If there are any questions regarding this submittal, please contact me at 585-771-5219 or Thomas.HardingJr@cengllc.com.

Very truly yours,,

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