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SUBJECT: GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY - SUPPLEMENTING THE DECOMMISSIONING
FUNDING PLAN AND COST ESTIMATE

Dear Mr. Murray:

We appreciate the opportunity to visit the General Electric Vallecitos Nuclear Center on July 15, 2011, where we toured the site and met to discuss the Decommissioning Funding Plan and Cost Estimate (DFP/CE). This meeting was closed to the public because proprietary information was discussed. Both the site tour and the discussion were beneficial towards understanding the method that General Electric-Hitachi (GEH) used to estimate the decommissioning costs. During the discussion, GEH gave a presentation on supplemental information about the DFP method and the basis for the Cost Estimate.

Based on discussions during this meeting, we understood that GEH plans to submit supplemental information to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), clarifying the DFP methodology and the basis for the cost estimates. This information will facilitate the NRC staff's decision-making regarding the acceptance of the license renewal application and DFP/CE. The NRC staff requests that the information be formally sent to NRC no later than Wednesday, August 31, 2011. The NRC will make a final decision regarding the acceptability of GEH license renewal application after considering the supplemental information.

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