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Subject: **Telephone Conference Regarding CE Site Decommissioning**

Dear Ms. Joustra:

ABB appreciates the time that you and John Nicholson spent last week discussing the status of the ABB/CE Windsor Site ("Site") decommissioning in preparation for license termination. Besides you and John, the teleconference included Mike Firsick of the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("CTDEEP"), Heath Downey (Site RSO), Nelson Walter (Program Director for AMEC [formerly MACTEC]), and me.

Heath Downey provided a general overview of the Site remediation process, including the Site Brook, AOC 10, waste handling and disposal, and Final Status Surveys ("FSS"). He indicated that there would be a short window of time for each bed section of the brook for verification prior to required ecological restoration and return of water from diversion. ABB will make every effort to provide dates of the windows for verification as far in advance as possible but must acknowledge that events out of its control, such as weather or unanticipated results, could alter schedules.

You mentioned that Mark Roberts would back up John Nicholson, given the anticipated submittal of six more FSS's that ABB will be making to the NRC between now and May 2012 in preparation for license termination by early 2013. You indicated that NRC resources should not be a concern at this time, but unanticipated emergency situations could change that condition.

We discussed the role of the CTDEEP in closure of the Site. Mike Firsick reported that CTDEEP has been active on the Site for a long time, and they would continue to have a presence throughout decommissioning. John Nicholson indicated the NRC's appreciation for split samples taken at the Site by the CTDEEP and shared with the NRC.

Heath Downey commented that all FSS field work should be completed about February 2012 and asked about the schedule for ORISE verification. John Nicholson reported that he had spoken with Wade Adams of ORISE about spending a week or two at the Site next spring, and Wade did not see a problem with such a schedule. Heath mentioned that ABB could provide GIS data to ORISE to assist their review of the Site (as done previously).

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I mentioned that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (“USACE”) was expected to indicate its conclusion that Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (“FUSRAP”) material had been satisfactorily removed from the Site upon completion of remediation. ABB envisions that the USACE should be involved at an early stage to assure timely closure of the Site. John Nicholson will be identifying and making contact with key USACE personnel to confirm that documents provided by the NRC are being received and processed by the appropriate personnel.

NRC representatives from NRC Headquarters (“HQ”) will be visiting the Site on August 17, 2012. John Nicholson reported that Yolande Norman and Lydia Chang were expected to arrive at the Site about 9:00 a.m. and would return to Washington the same day, but he expected to arrive about 7:30 a.m. and stay into Thursday as needed. ABB offered to provide an introductory meeting and tour for the HQ representatives at the beginning of the day. When asked about the role of HQ for license termination, Judy mentioned that NRC Region I administered the ABB NRC licenses but may request HQ to provide special expertise if needed.

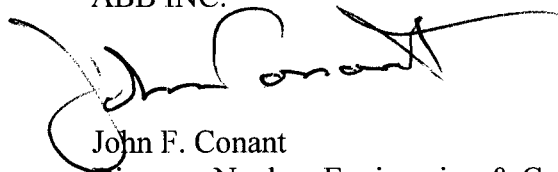
Although not discussed, a revised Decommissioning Funding Plan (“DFP”) is expected to be submitted in August 2011.

I commented that ABB will be making a decision whether or not to renew its NRC License No. SNM-1067, which expires January 31, 2012. You indicated that there may have been changes in the regulations that would impact the renewal process. ABB will perform the necessary research to assure a proper submittal.

If there are any questions or comments concerning any topic raised in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 687-4904, or by e-mail at john.conant@us.abb.com.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John F. Conant', written over a circular stamp or mark.

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