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Mr. Barry S. Allen, Site Vice President,
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SUBJECT: SCHEDULE REVISION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY REVIEW
OF THE DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1, LICENSE
RENEWAL APPLICATION (TAC NO. ME4613)

Dear Mr. Allen:

By letter dated August 27, 2010, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) submitted an application pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 51 and 10 CFR Part 54, to renew the Operating License NPF-003 for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1 (Davis-Besse), for review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff).

By two separate letters dated September 19, 2011, FENOC submitted additional information as supplements to the license renewal application (LRA), Appendix E, Environmental Report. These supplements contained information relating to alternatives as well as a letter from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service identifying an endangered species within the transmission line corridor.

Enclosed is the NRC staff's revised environmental review schedule for the Davis-Besse LRA. In developing the revised environmental review schedule, the staff took several factors into consideration, including additional review of the in-depth alternatives and additional coordination with Federal, State and local governments. The environmental schedule change has no impact on the planned license renewal decision date.

Based on the number of open items, the NRC staff is evaluating the impact and will issue a revised schedule for the safety evaluation and the date of a license renewal decision, as needed, in a separate letter.

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We would like to emphasize that the NRC staff will make every effort to meet the revised schedule milestones. The NRC will continue to follow established review procedures and the enclosed schedule to complete the reviews required by 10 CFR Parts 54 and 51.

If you have any questions on the revised schedule, please contact Ms. Paula Cooper, Project Manager for the review of the Davis-Besse LRA environmental review, by telephone at 301-415-2323 or by e-mail at paula.cooper@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melanie A. Galloway for".

Melanie A. Galloway, Acting Director
Division of License Renewal
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-346

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DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
UPDATED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW SCHEDULE

Milestones	Schedule Date	Actual Date
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	08/30/10	08/30/10
Publish <i>Federal Register</i> Notice (FRN) - LRA receipt and availability	09/17/10	09/20/10
Publish FRN - LRA acceptability and opportunity for hearing	10/20/10	10/25/10
Publish FRN – intent to conduct environmental scoping	10/20/10	10/28/10
Public Meeting - license renewal process and environmental scoping	11/04/10	11/04/10
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	12/24/10	12/24/10
Environmental scoping periods ends	12/27/10	12/27/10
Audit - scoping and screening methodology	01/24/11	01/24/11
Audit - aging management programs (AMPs)	02/14/11	02/14/11
Audit - environmental	03/07/11	03/07/11
Inspection - scoping, screening, and AMPs	04/2011	04/25/11
Environmental Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) - Issued	04/08/11	02/23/11
Environmental RAIs - Response Received	05/13/11	03/23/11
Safety RAIs - Issued	04/29/11	04/29/11
Safety RAI - Responses Received	05/30/11	05/30/11
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	01/2012	
Public Meeting - draft SEIS	02/2012	
End of comment period for the draft SEIS	04/2012	
Issue final SEIS	07/2012	

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