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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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March 20, 2012

LICENSEE: NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC

FACILITY: Seabrook Station

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL HELD ON MARCH 1, 2012, BETWEEN THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION AND NEXTERA ENERGY SEABROOK, LLC, CONCERNING THE DRAFT REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE SEABROOK STATION, LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (TAC. NO. ME3959)

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff) and representatives of NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC held a telephone conference call on March 1, 2012, to discuss and clarify the staff's request for additional information (RAIs) concerning the Seabrook Station, license renewal application.

Enclosure 1 provides a listing of the participants and Enclosure 2 contains a listing of the RAI discussed with the applicant, including a brief description on the status.

The applicant had an opportunity to comment on this summary.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-443

Enclosures:
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TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
SEABROOK STATION
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION

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REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION MARCH 1, 2012

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff) and representatives of NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC (NextEra) held a telephone conference call on March 1, 2012, to discuss and clarify the following request for additional information (RAI) concerning the license renewal application environmental review.

Seabrook RAI for Cooling System Alternatives

In response to public comments received on the Seabrook Station (Seabrook) license renewal application draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS), from both the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 1 (ML11304A059) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) (ML11304A057), the NRC will evaluate the environmental impacts of a range of alternatives for structural and operational modifications to the Seabrook cooling system that could reduce adverse impacts to aquatic resources. For example, EPA recommended that the each alternative characterize the "number of organisms to be impinged and/or entrained by the intake structure under the different alternatives." This evaluation will be included in the final SEIS for the Seabrook license renewal application. The NRC does not have the regulatory authority to implement the requirements of the Clean Water Act. As stated in the EPA's letter to the NRC, the evaluation will not "purport to provide or suggest the answers to the ultimate permitting questions that EPA must address under the Clean Water Act."

In order to assist the NRC in the preparation of the response to these comments, please provide copies of any assessment(s) of the environmental impacts associated with the construction and operation of closed-cycle cooling system alternatives, including alternatives for structural and operational modifications to the Seabrook cooling system. Of particular interest are any assessments evaluate the potential environmental impacts to land use, air quality, water resources, terrestrial and aquatic resources (including the estimated number of organisms to be impinged and/or entrained by the intake structure under the different alternatives), human health, socioeconomics, transportation, aesthetics, cultural resources, and waste management.

Discussion: Prior to the phone call, NextEra provided NRC a 2008 document entitled, "Cooling Water Intake Structure Information Document," for review. This document has previously been submitted by NextEra in response to the staff's October 29, 2010, RAIs. The Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) numbers for the report are ML110100311 (Cover through Appendix A) and ML110100312 (Appendix B through Appendix E). Since this document has already been submitted on the Seabrook docket, and no further information is needed at this time, the NRC agreed on the conference call to withdraw the draft RAI on this matter.

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Memorandum to NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC, from M. Wentzel dated March 20, 2012

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