

May 16, 2012

Mr. Mark Edward Leyse
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Dear Mr. Leyse:

This letter is in reference to your petition for rulemaking (PRM) that was submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on February 28, 2012 (NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML12065A215). Your petition has been docketed under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 2.802, "Petition for rulemaking," to recognize your request that the NRC amend its regulations "to require all holders of operating licenses for nuclear power plants ("NPP") to operate NPPs with in-core thermocouples at different elevations and radial positions throughout the reactor core." Your petition has been assigned Docket Number PRM-50-105.

The enclosed notice acknowledging receipt of the petition and requesting public comment will be published in the *Federal Register*. As the staff reviews your petition, it may be necessary to request additional information. Please reference the assigned docket number on any correspondence you may have concerning the petition. Upon expiration of the comment period, you may view any comments that have been received in response to the notice of receipt for your PRM at www.regulations.gov by searching on Docket ID NRC-2012-0056.

Please reference Docket ID NRC-2012-0056 on any correspondence you may have concerning your petition. You may direct any questions you may have concerning the petition process or the status of your petition to Cindy Bladey at 301-492-3667 (e-mail: Cindy.Bladey@nrc.gov) or to Theresa Barczy at 301-492-3666 (e-mail: Theresa.Barczy@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosure:
Notice of receipt of petition
for rulemaking