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SUBJECT: UNITED STATES - ADVANCED PRESSURIZED WATER REACTOR DESIGN
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION - SAFETY EVALUATION WITH OPEN ITEMS
FOR CHAPTER 4, "REACTOR"

Dear Mr. Ogata:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is preparing a safety evaluation (SE) with open items (OIs) for each chapter of the United States - Advanced Pressurized Water Reactor standard Design Certification submitted by Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. (MHI) on December 31, 2007, as supplemented by letters dated March 27, 2008, and April 16, 2008.

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