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Subject: Early Site Permit Application to NRC

**PSEG Power / Nuclear LLC** 

Dear Ms. Greene:

As discussed during our meeting at the PSEG Energy and Environmental Resource Center in Salem NJ, to discuss the PSEG Nuclear / PSEG Power [PSEG] Early Site Permit application [during and shortly after the NRC Environmental Audit], we are providing a reference to the Early Site Permit [ESP] application posted on the NRC public domain website. Specifically, the link references the documentation associated with the Alternate Site Evaluation [ASE] prepared to support the ESP application. This memo acknowledges that we reviewed the basic data contained within the ASE and that PSEG will support any additional consultation requests you may require.

The ASE was prepared in accordance with NRC criteria for an ESP application, and specifically to support the NRC NEPA review processes. PSEG performed prior consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service [and US Fish and Wildlife Service, among others], during which we discussed alternate site reviews. However, as we may not have covered all of the details and specifics of the ASE during these reviews, we wanted to assure that you had the appropriate links and access to the very comprehensive dataset that we used to finalize the ASE.

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As noted above, should you require any additional discussion or clarifications related to either the ESP or the ASE, we would be glad to meet with you at your convenience. We have also copied the US Fish and Wildlife Service NJ Field Office on this documentation as a means to document the same offer of additional consultation associated with the ASE. The offer of additional consultation has also been provided to Mr. Steve Mars of USF&WS.

The NRC web address for the overall PSEG ESP application is as follows:

http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/esp/pseg.html#appdoc

The NRC web addresses for the ASE data and information are included below for your convenience, but they can also be easily accessed from the link above.

http://pbadupws.nrc.gov/docs/ML1016/ML101600086.html Sub links are below.

ML101590553 - PSEG Power, LLC, Submittal of Document in Support of Application Early Site Permit for the PSEG Site. (3 page(s), 6/4/2010) ML101600084 - Enclosure 1 - Report SL-010099, "Alternative Site Evaluation Study". (132 page(s), 3/31/2010)

ML101600083 - Alternative Site Evaluation Study - Potential Site Maps, Appendix D. (17 page(s), 3/31/2010)

ML101600085 - Alternative Site Evaluation Study - Potential Site Descriptions, Appendix E. (92 page(s), 3/31/2010)

As always, feel free to contact me at 856-339-7900 to discuss further or to schedule an additional review meeting.

Very truly yours,

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