November 19, 2012

MEMORANDUM TO: Stephen D. Dingbaum

Assistant Inspector General for Audits

FROM: J. E. Dyer /RA/ Milton Brown (for)

Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: AUDIT OF THE NUCLEAR

REGULATORY COMMISSION'S PROCESS FOR CALCULATING

LICENSE FEES (OIG-13-A-02)

This is a status update in response to the Office of the Inspector General's Audit Report, "Audit of NRC's Process for Calculating License Fees" (OIG-13-A-02) dated October 24, 2012.

Recommendation 1

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) should prepare and document an annual Fee Rule validation on the hourly rate (budget vs. cost analysis) and make adjustments as needed to the fee calculation process.

<u>Status</u>

Agree. The OCFO staff will evaluate procedures from the previous cost accounting system and collaborate with the systems staff to create comparable reports from the FAIMIS cost accounting module. At that point new procedures will be necessary and established. We plan to execute this validation of the hourly rate by April 2014.

Recommendation 2

The OCFO will document all steps performed in calculating the Fee Rule in the desk procedures (Fee Handbook) to enable a new preparer to re-perform or complete the calculation.

Status

Agree. The OCFO is currently finalizing the Fee Rule Handbook. We will complete the inclusion of steps performed in the calculation by February 28, 2013.

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