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Subject: NRC Requests for Additional Information Related to the Audit of the Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR) Steam Dryer Design Methodology Supporting Chapter 3 of the ESBWR Design Control Document – Final Response for RAI 3.9-279

Reference:

- MFN 12-037, Letter from USNRC to Jerald G. Head, GEH, Subject: Request for Additional Information Letter No. 414 related to ESBWR Design Certification Application (DCD) Revision 9, received May 1, 2012
- 2. MFN 12-050, Letter from Jerald G. Head, GEH, to USNRC, Subject: NRC Requests for Additional Information (RAI) Related to the Audit of the Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR) Steam Dryer Design Methodology Supporting Chapter 3 of the ESBWR Design Control Document Draft Response for RAI 3.9-279, dated August 13, 2012

In regard to the Requests for Additional Information transmitted in your May 1, 2012 Letter, Reference 1, to support the NRC ESBWR Steam Dryer Methodology Audit conducted March 21 - 23, 2012, Docket 05200010, please find attached the final response for RAI 3.9-279, which revises the draft response provided in Reference 2.

Enclosure 1 contains the complete response, with proprietary information identified within brackets [[]], and designated in red and dotted underline text, to assist in identification. The proprietary information, as identified by GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy, Americas LLC, should be protected accordingly.

Enclosure 2 contains the response with the proprietary information redacted, and is acceptable for public release. Enclosure 3 provides an affidavit which sets forth the basis for requesting that Enclosure 1 be withheld from the public.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Peter Yandow at 910-819-6378.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Sincerely,

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Commitments: No additional commitments are made in this response.

Enclosures:

- 1. Final Response to RAI 3.9-279 Proprietary Version
- 2. Final Response to RAI 3.9-279 Public Version
- 3. Affidavit for MFN 12-050, Revision 1

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