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Subject: Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 2 - Acceptance Review re: Relief Request RR-4L2 (TAC

Nos. MF1146)

Dear Mr. Millen:

By letter dated March 19, 2013 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML13079A141), NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC (NextEra, the licensee) submitted a relief request (RR-4L2) for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 2. The proposed request would grant relief from the requirements of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (B&PV Code), Section XI, 1998 Edition through 2000 Addenda, regarding volumetric examination requirements of the main steam outlet nozzle inside radius sections. Relief is requested on the basis that alternative methods would provide an acceptable level of quality and safety.

Pursuant to Sections 50.55a(a)(3)(i) and 50.55a(a)(3)(ii) of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), the applicant shall demonstrate that the proposed alternatives would provide an acceptable level of quality and safety, or that compliance with the specified requirements of Section 50.55a would result in hardship or unusual difficulty without a compensating increase in the level of quality or safety.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed relief request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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