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August 12, 2013

Mr. Thomas Joyce
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SUBJECT: HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION AND PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC
POWER STATION, UNITS 2 AND 3 – REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION REGARDING DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING STATUS
REPORT (TAC NOS. MF2202, MF2227 AND MF2228)

Dear Mr. Joyce:

By letter dated March 26, 2013,¹ PSEG Nuclear LLC (the licensee), submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the 2013 Decommissioning Funding Status report for Hope Creek Generating Station, and Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units 2 and 3, as required under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, paragraph 50.75(f)(1). The NRC staff has reviewed the submittal by the licensee and has determined that additional information is required, as provided in the enclosure, in order to complete its review.

The draft questions were sent via electronic transmission on July 19, 2013, to Mr. Paul Duke, of your staff. The draft questions were sent to ensure that the questions were understandable, the regulatory basis for the questions was clear, and to determine if the information was previously docketed. On July 24, 2013, Mr. Duke indicated that the licensee will submit a response within 30 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-3204 or via e-mail at John.Hughey@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Hughey".

John D. Hughey, Project Manager
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-354, 50-277 and 50-278

Enclosure:
Request for Additional Information

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¹ Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML13085A284.

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
2013 DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING STATUS REPORT
PSEG NUCLEAR, LLC
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION, UNITS 2 AND 3
DOCKET NUMBERS 50-354, 50-277 AND 50-278

By letter dated March 26, 2013, (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML13085A284) PSEG Nuclear, LLC, (PSEG) submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the 2013 Decommissioning Funding Status report for Hope Creek Generating Station (Hope Creek), and Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station (PBAPS), Units 2 and 3, as required under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) paragraph 50.75(f)(1). The NRC staff has reviewed the information provided in the submittal and determined that the following additional information is required in order to complete its review.

Reporting Requirements

RAI 1 Indicate what portion of the accumulated fund balances are for radiological decommissioning activities only. Specify if any of the \$448,673,976 for Hope Creek, the \$246,506,792 for PBAPS Unit 2, and the \$249,543,711 for PBAPS Unit 3, is for non-radiological decommissioning costs such as spent fuel management or other non-radiological decommissioning activities.

On March 26, 2013, PSEG provided the amount accumulated in the decommissioning trust fund at the end of the calendar year preceding the date of the report for items included in 10 CFR 50.75 (b) and (c). Confirm that the dollar amounts identified above are exclusively for radiological decommissioning.

Per 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1), licensees must identify "the amount accumulated to the end of the calendar year preceding the date of the report." This actual amount is dedicated for NRC decommissioning activities as defined in 10 CFR 50.2.

Amounts accumulated

RAI 2 Indicate if the amount of decommissioning funds identified in the March 26, 2013, submittal are for the after-tax amounts of decommissioning funds accumulated through December 31, 2012. If not, please provide the after-tax amounts of decommissioning funds accumulated through December 31, 2012, for Hope Creek, PBAPS Unit 2, and PBAPS Unit 3.

Enclosure

On March 26, 2013, PSEG reported the amount of decommissioning funds accumulated as of December 31, 2012, for Hope Creek, PBAPS Unit 2, and PBAPS Unit 3, but did not indicate if the amount stated was the before or after-tax balance.

The provisions of 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1) and (2) require the licensee to report the amount of funds accumulated to the end of the calendar year preceding the report.

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