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NextEra Energy Duane Arnold Energy Center, LLC's First Six-Month Status Report in Response to March 12, 2012 Commission Order Modifying Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events (Order Number EA-12-049)

- References: 1) Order EA-12-049, "Order to Modify Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events," dated March 12, 2012 (ML12056A045)
2) Letter, R. Anderson (NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC) to U. S. NRC, "NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC's Overall Integrated Plan in Response to March 12, 2012 Commission Order Modifying Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events (Order Number EA-12-049)," NG-13-0084, dated February 28, 2013 (ML13063A148)

On March 12, 2012, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Reference 1, an immediately effective Order to all licensees including NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC (hereafter NextEra Energy Duane Arnold). In Reference 2, NextEra Energy Duane Arnold submitted an Overall Integrated Plan for the implementation of this Order. The Order required Licensee's to provide periodic status reports for the Overall Integrated Plan. The purpose of this letter is to provide the first six-month status report pursuant to Section IV, Condition C.2, of Reference 1, that delineates progress made in implementing the requirements of Reference 1. The enclosure to this letter provides an update of milestone accomplishments since the last status report, including any changes to the compliance method, schedule, or need for relief and the basis, if any.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
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Attachment to NG-13-0328

NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC's First Six Month Status Report for the Implementation of Order EA-12-049, Order Modifying Licenses with Regard to Requirements for Mitigation Strategies for Beyond-Design-Basis External Events

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1. Introduction

NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC (hereafter, NextEra Energy Duane Arnold) developed an Overall Integrated Plan (Reference 1), documenting the diverse and flexible strategies (FLEX), in response to Reference 2. This attachment provides an update of milestone accomplishments since submittal of the Overall Integrated Plan, including any changes to the compliance method, schedule, or need for relief/relaxation and the basis, if any.

2. Milestone Accomplishments

The following milestone(s) have been completed since the development of the Overall Integrated Plan (Reference 1), and are current as of July 31, 2013.

- Submit 6 month status report

3. Milestone Schedule Status

The following provides an update to Attachment 4 of the Overall Integrated Plan (Reference 1). It provides the activity status of each item, and whether the expected completion date has changed. The dates are planning dates subject to change as design and implementation details are developed.

The following milestone target completion dates have been adjusted or added:

- Complete Regional Response Center Arrangements has a revised target date of December 2015. This change reflects the industry schedule for when "Playbooks" for plants with fall 2016 refuel outages are schedule for completion.
- Based on industry feedback, a new milestone was added to reflect plans to validate that time sensitive actions can be completed consistent with the time limitations of the strategies.

The revised milestone target completion dates do not impact the order implementation date.

Milestone	Target Completion Date	Activity Status	Revised Target Completion Date
Submit Overall Integrated Implementation Plan	February 2013	Complete	N/A
Submit 6 Month Status Report	August 2013	Complete	N/A
Complete Revision to Emergency Operating Procedures to Extend	December 2013	Started	N/A

Milestone	Target Completion Date	Activity Status	Revised Target Completion Date
Operation of Steam Driven Pumps			
Submit 6 Month Status Report	February 2014	Not Started	N/A
Complete Regional Response Center Arrangements	August 2014	Started	December 2015
Submit 6 Month Status Report	August 2014	Not Started	N/A
First Refueling Outage of Implementation Period	RFO 24 (Fall 2014)	Not Started	N/A
Complete Site Specific Analysis of NEDC-33771P Rev. 1	January 2015	Started	N/A
Submit 6 Month Status Report	February 2015	Not Started	N/A
FLEX Storage Buildings Completed	March 2015	Started	N/A
Identified Portable Equipment Stored on Site	May 2015	Started	N/A
Submit 6 Month Status Report	August 2015	Not Started	N/A
Issue Modification Packages	December 2015	Started	N/A
Submit 6 Month Status Report	February 2016	Not Started	N/A
Complete Staffing Study for Flex Implementation	May 2016	Not Started	N/A
Validate that time sensitive actions can be completed consistent with the Flex Strategies	New	Not Started	August 2016
Complete Implementing Procedure Development and Validation	August 2016	Started	N/A
Submit 6 Month Status Report	August 2016	Not Started	N/A
Complete Required Training	September 2016	Not Started	N/A
Final Implementation Outage for Modifications	RFO 25 (Fall 2016)	Not Started	N/A
Submit Completion Report	December 2016	Not Started	N/A

4. Changes to Compliance Method

The NextEra Energy Duane Arnold integrated plan (Reference 1) indicated compliance with the subject order would include implementation of NRC EA-12-050 dated March 12, 2012, "Issuance of Order to Modify License with Regard to Reliable Hardened Containment Vents." Subsequent to the submittal of the integrated plan, the NRC rescinded Order EA-12-050 and issued Order EA-13-109 "Issuance of Order to Modify Licenses With Regard to Reliable Hardened Containment Vents Capable of Operation Under Severe Accident Conditions" (Reference 3). NextEra Energy Duane Arnold will implement requirements of Phase 1 of Order EA-13-109 instead of Order EA-12-050. Phase 1 of Order EA-13-109 currently requires implementation in 2016 and thus, no change in schedule for compliance is currently contemplated.

5. Need for Relief/Relaxation and Basis for the Relief/Relaxation

NextEra Energy Duane Arnold expects to comply with the order implementation date and no relief/relaxation is required at this time.

6. Open Items from Overall Integrated Plan and Draft Safety Evaluation

The following tables provide a summary of the open items documented in the Overall Integrated Plan or the Draft Safety Evaluation (SE) and the status of each item.

	Overall Integrated Plan Open Item (Pending Actions)	Status
1	Seismic re-evaluations pursuant to the 10 CFR 50.54(f) letter of March 12, 2012 are not completed and therefore not assumed in this submittal. As the re-evaluations are completed, appropriate issues will be entered into the corrective action process and addressed.	Started
2	Flood re-evaluations pursuant to the 10 CFR 50.54(f) letter of March 12, 2012 are not completed and therefore not assumed in this submittal. As the re-evaluations are completed, appropriate issues will be entered into the corrective action process and addressed.	Started
3	Implement revisions to emergency operating procedures (EOP's) identified by the BWROG to extend operation of steam driven pumps for core cooling during ELAP.	Started
4	Validate implementing procedures can be performed in a timely manner.	Not Started
5	Final plant specific analysis for an ELAP will be performed with equivalent acceptance criteria with the exception of Condensate Storage Tank (CST) inventory and suppression pool level which will be altered in recognition of the external hazards and revised duration of the mitigating strategies.	Started
6	Phase 3 activities will ensure adequate inventory of water can be provided directly from the Cedar River or other sources independent of the normal River Water Supply pumps.	Not started
7	Implement new and revised plant procedures for FLEX Strategies.	Started
8	Implement administrative controls for the FLEX Program.	Started
9	Procure FLEX portable equipment.	Started
10	Establish preventive maintenance and testing of FLEX portable equipment.	Started
11	Revise UFSAR and TRM as needed to reflect FLEX program.	Not started
12	Complete training of applicable personnel.	Not started

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13	Establish "Playbook" for Regional Response Center interface with the NextEra Energy Duane Arnold.	Generic work on "Playbook" development is in progress. Site specific development is not scheduled until 2015 due to industry prioritization by plant outage schedules.
14	Review generic BWROG analysis of FLEX implementation and perform a detailed review of suppression pool temperature to support FLEX strategies.	Started
15	Perform analysis of final load shedding strategy for essential station batteries and implement in plant procedures.	Started. The strategy has been developed and analysis of the effect on likely battery survival time has been initiated. Procedure improvements to incorporate the strategy have been initiated.
16	Modify the plant to establish a flood staging area for portable equipment.	Started
17	Evaluate deployment routes for portable equipment.	Not started
18	Modify the plant to facilitate connection of portable power supplies. This will include connection points for a 480 volt generator to essential battery chargers and 480 volt distribution panel 1B03. Quick connection points will be established for 120 volt AC power to instrument power supplies.	Started
19	Modify the plant to add suction and injection connection points for portable pump. The portable pump suction will allow access to the circulating water pit (Pump House) from a protected area (Turbine Building) during a design bases flood. The injection point will provide a redundant connection point for RPV makeup located in a protected area (Reactor Building).	Started
20	Construct two FLEX portable equipment storage buildings. The buildings will be separated to minimize the potential for a single tornado path to interact with both buildings.	Not Started
21	Phase 3 activities will ensure essential bus can be re-powered using a portable 4160 V Generator. This will include a modification that establishes a transfer panel (disconnect switch) installed in the turbine building that provides a location for connection during a design bases flood and procedures for mobilization.	Started
22	Procedures will provide for opening containment vent valves using portable pneumatic supply.	Procedures currently exist but will be reviewed in association with modification development under Order EA-13-109.

23	Modify the plant to establish a manual vent capability for the reactor building near the spent fuel pool.	Started
24	Update analysis of room heat-up during an ELAP.	Not started
25	Screen BWROG RCIC Durability Study for extending RCIC operation during an ELAP and make applicable improvements.	Started
26	Establish methods to recharge communications equipment.	Complete
27	Establish methods to re-fuel portable equipment.	Started
28	Review generic BWROG analysis of FLEX implementation and perform a detailed review of limitations on SRV operation to support FLEX strategies.	Started
29	If FLEX transport paths are over previously un-excavated ground, review path for potential soil liquefaction during a seismic event.	Not started

Draft Safety Evaluation Open Item	Status
Draft Safety Evaluation has not been received yet.	N/A

7. Potential Draft Safety Evaluation Impacts

There are no potential impacts to the Draft Safety Evaluation identified at this time.

8. References

The following references support the updates to the Overall Integrated Plan described in this enclosure.

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3. NRC Order EA-13-109, "Issuance of Order to Modify Licenses with Regard to Reliable Hardened Containment Vents Capable of Operation Under Severe Accident Conditions," dated June 6, 2013.