September 3, 2013

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#### SUBJECT: RHODE ISLAND ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING RHODE ISLAND NUCLEAR SCIENCE CENTER LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST (TAC NO. MF1044)

Dear Dr. Mecca:

By application dated February 7, 2013, signed on June 21, 2013 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML13189A136), Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission (the licensee) requested an amendment to Facility Operating License No. R-95 for the Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center (the facility). The proposed amendment would make a change to Technical Specification 6.1, "Organization Chart," to change the title of the "Assistant Director for Radiation And Reactor Safety" to "Radiation Safety Officer."

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has reviewed the information provided in your application and determined that additional information is required in order to complete its review. Please provide responses to the enclosed request for additional information within 30 days of the date of this letter.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Section 50.30(b), you must execute your response in a signed original document under oath or affirmation. Your response must be submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 50.4, "Written communications." Information included in your response that is considered security, sensitive or proprietary, that you seek to have withheld from the public, must be marked in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, "Public inspections, exemptions, requests for withholding." Following receipt of the additional information, we will continue our evaluation of your license amendment request.

S. Mecca

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me at 301-415-1404 or by electronic mail at Xiaosong.Yin@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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# **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

# REGARDING LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR

# RHODE ISLAND ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

#### RHODE ISLAND NUCLEAR SCIENCE CENTER

### LICENSE NO. R-95

### DOCKET NO. 50-193

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- In the current RIAEC TS 6.1, Figure 6.1, "Organizational Chart," there are direct communication lines between the "Nuclear and Radiation Safety Committee (NRSC)" and the "Assistant Director for Reactor Operations" and the "Assistant Director for Radiation & Reactor Safety." However, in the submitted amendment request, these direct communication lines for the "Assistant Director for Reactor Operations" and the "Assistant Director for Radiation & Reactor Safety Officer" to the "Nuclear and Radiation Safety Committee (NRSC)" were removed. Justify that this change would not have any impact on the responsibilities and authority of the assistant director for reactor operations and the proposed radiation safety officer.
- 2. Other than the requested title change for the assistant director for radiation and reactor safety in your license amendment request, several other title changes were made on the current organizational chart. For example:
  - "Radiation Operator Trainee" was added to the chart,
  - "Senior Clerk Typist" was changed to "Senior Word Processor Typist,"
  - "Student Lab Helper" was changed to "Student Intern", and
  - "Info Processing Specialist" was changed to "Information Specialist."

Please clarify if these are your intended changes and, if they are, justify for the changes.

- 3. On the top right corner of the current organizational chart, it referenced "Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission." However on your proposed organizational chart it referenced "Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center." Please clarify if this is your intended change and, if it is, justify for the change.
- 4. Please submit a modified organizational chart with all of your intended changes and justifications.