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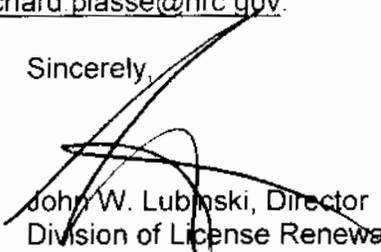
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Sincerely,


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SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
SCHEDULE REVISION

Milestone	Schedule	Actual
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	1/2013	1/15/13
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) – LRA availability	2/2013	2/22/13
Publish FRN – acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	3/2013	3/05/13
Publish FRN – environmental scoping meeting	3/2013	3/08/13
Audit – Scoping & Screening Methodology	3/11/13	3/11/13
Audit – Aging Management Programs	3/18/13	3/18/13
Public Meeting – License Renewal Overview and Environmental Scoping meeting	4/03/13	4/03/13
Audit – Environmental	4/08/13	4/08/13
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	5/2013	5/06/13
Environmental scoping period ends	5/2013	5/03/13
Inspection – Regional	11/18/13 & 12/08/13	11/18/13 & 12/08/13
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	7/2014	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN Published – draft SEIS available for comment	8/2014	
Public Meeting – draft SEIS meeting	8/2014	
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items	1/2015	
End of draft SEIS comment period	9/2014	
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee meeting	TBD	
Issue final SEIS	3/2015	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN Published – availability of final SEIS	4/2015	
Issue final SER	5/2015	
ACRS full committee meeting	TBD	
Decision – Director, NRR	6/2015	
Commission decision (if hearing is granted)	TBD	

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