



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop O-16G4
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Ms. Vietti-Cook:

Thank you for your letter of September 4, 2014, regarding documents submitted by the Department of Energy (DOE) to the Office of the Secretary of the Commission in 2011, in response to the Construction Authorization Board-04 Orders of April 11 and June 9, 2011. In response to those orders, DOE provided the Secretary with PDF images of all the documents in DOE's Licensing Support Network (LSN) collection that were available to the public on the LSN in full-text and image format, along with their associated bibliographic header information for these documents. DOE did not provide the Secretary with PDF images of the documentary material in DOE's collection that was included on the LSN in header-only format including any documents which DOE intended to protect as privileged or otherwise not subject to disclosure. DOE did provide the Secretary with bibliographic header information for this documentary material.

Your understanding is correct that DOE did not transmit to the Secretary PDF images of documents that DOE intended to protect as privileged. Your intention to treat the entire collection submitted by DOE in PDF format as public as described in your letter is acceptable to DOE. These documents were available previously to the public on the NRC's LSN.

Should you have any questions, please contact me by phone at (702) 295-2436, or by email at william.boyle@doe.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William Boyle".

William J. Boyle, Director
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