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Subject: LIC-109 Acceptance Review for D.C. Cook ISIR 04-02 (MF5606/5607)

By letter dated January 20, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML15023A038), Indiana Michigan Power Company submitted, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(i), a request for approval of a proposed alternative for Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2 Inservice Inspection Program. The proposed alternative would allow deferral of the volumetric/surface examinations of each unit's replacement reactor vessel closure head for two fuel cycles beyond the nominal ten-year inspection interval required by Code Case N-729-1.

The paragraph headings in 10 CFR 50.55a were changed by *Federal Register* notice dated November 5, 2014 (79 FR 65776), which became effective on December 5, 2014 (e.g., 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(i) is now 50.55a(z)(1), and 50.55a(a)(3)(ii) is now 50.55a(z)(2)). See the cross-reference tables, which are cited in the notice, at ADAMS Accession No. ML14015A191 and ADAMS package Accession No. ML14211A050.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of this request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed request for alternative in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. If additional information is needed, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-8371.

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