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Subject: Withdrawal of cancellation request for Licensee Event Report (LER) 2004-002, Leak Path Indications Identified in Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Nozzle Penetrations

Palisades Nuclear Plant
Docket 50-255
License No. DPR-20

- References:
1. LER 2004-002, Leak Path Indications Identified in Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Nozzle Penetrations, dated December 9, 2004 (ML043560278)
 2. Cancellation of Licensee Event Report (LER) 2004-002, Leak Path Indications Identified in Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Nozzle Penetrations, dated November 19, 2014 (ML14323A733)

Dear Sir or Madam:

By letter dated November 19, 2014 (reference 2), Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO) submitted a request to cancel LER 2004-002, "Leak Path Indications Identified in Reactor Pressure Vessel Head Nozzle Penetrations" (reference 1) to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Subsequently, the technical basis used to support cancellation of LER 2004-002 was determined to be inadequate. Specifically, there was insufficient evidence to confirm that indications found in the two reactor pressure vessel head control rod drive mechanism nozzle penetrations in 2004 were weld defects from the original fabrication process. The possibility that the indications may have been caused by primary water stress corrosion cracking (PWSCC) could not be definitely eliminated without metallurgical examinations of the original material.

Therefore, ENO requests the submittal for cancellation of LER 2004-002 (reference 2), ML14323A733, be withdrawn.

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "AJV/tad". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first part being "AJV" and the second part being "tad".

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cc: Administrator, Region III, USNRC
Project Manager, Palisades, USNRC
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