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Mr. Tim Byam:

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RR 2203 was requested because CPS will transition to a 12-month fuel cycle beginning in the spring of 2015. In the past, CPS has operated with a 24-month fuel cycle and the current cycle is scheduled to be 18-months ending this spring. The RR is a proposed alternative to the requirements of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), "Code for Operation and Maintenance of Nuclear Power Plants," 2004 Edition (OM Code), Subsections ISTC-3521(e), ISTC-3521(h), ISTC-3522(c), and ISTC-3522(f). These OM Code subsections require that ASME Class 1, 2, and 3 valves in an inservice testing cold shutdown justification (CSJ) or refueling justification (RFJ) be tested each refueling outage. The licensee's proposed alternative is to test CSJ and RFJ valves every 2 years.

The NRC staff has reviewed the RR and supplemental response and determined that it needs additional information to complete its review. The licensee is requested to respond to the attached request for additional information by June 19, 2015. If you have any questions about this request, contact me at (301) 415-1380.

Sincerely,

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Background

In its March 26, 2015, letter, the licensee states it reviewed the performance history of the 70 valves that are designated as RFJ valves. The letter stated:

Reactor Core Isolation Cooling [RCIC] System testable check valve (i.e., 1E51-F066) has experienced multiple failures with the last two in consecutive outages. This valve is in a position to be tested during "refueling only outages" in addition to "refueling/ maintenance outages." Until four consecutive years of tests are passed, this valve will be tested each refueling outage (i.e., 1 year test interval).

Request for Additional Information

Describe how testing will change if an RFJ valve that is tested once every 2 years fails a test. The response should specify changes in test frequency and the number of consecutive passed tests required to return the valve to a 2-year test interval (i.e., information similar to what was provided for the RCIC system testable check valve above).