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Subject: 2.206 Petition Request on Current Licensing Basis for Flooding at Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station

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Mr. Lochbaum,

I have been assigned as the Petition Manager for the 10 CFR 2.206 petition you and others submitted to the NRC on June 24, 2015, regarding your concerns on current licensing basis for flooding at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS).

Section 2.206 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* describes the petition process – the primary mechanism for the public to request enforcement action by the NRC in a public process. This process permits anyone to petition NRC to take enforcement-type action related to NRC licensees or licensed activities. Depending on the results of its evaluation, NRC could modify, suspend or revoke an NRC-issued license or take any other appropriate enforcement action to resolve a problem. The NRC staff's guidance for the disposition of 2.206 petition requests is in Management Directive 8.11, which is publicly available.

The 2.206 process provides a mechanism for any member of the public to request enforcement action against NRC licensees. Therefore, because you specifically requested in your letter that the NRC take enforcement action to require that the current licensing basis for PNPS explicitly includes flooding caused by local intense precipitation/ probable maximum precipitation events, it was referred to the 2.206 process. The 2.206 process is separate from the allegations process which affords individuals who raise safety concerns a degree of protection of their identity. In the 2.206 process, all of the information in your letter will be made public, including your identity.

In addition, in your letter you have requested to address the NRC staff before the Petition Review Board (PRB) meets to consider your request. If you would like to meet in person, I will need to schedule a formal public meeting at the NRC Headquarters. If you would prefer to address the PRB via phone, I will also work with you to coordinate a date/time during the upcoming weeks. Within 3-4 business days, please advise me of three preferred dates (anytime after August 3, 2015), that will work for you and the co-petitioners so that I can arrange this meeting or teleconference. You will be my point of contact for this petition.

Thank you,

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