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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE 13-10, "CYBER SECURITY CONTROL  
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Staff has concluded that NEI 13-10, Revision 3 is acceptable for use by licensees to address the required cyber security controls provided in their cyber security plans. The licensees' use of NEI 13-10 to implement cyber security programs to comply with their NRC approved cyber security plans is subject to NRC's inspections.

Please contact Russell Felts at (301) 287-3734 or Eric Lee at (301) 287-3461 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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