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Subject: Cooper Nuclear Station - Acceptance Review for the License Amendment Application to Revise TSs to Relocate Pressure and Temperature (P/T) Limit Curve to a P/T Limits Report (TAC No. MF6582)

By letter dated August 6, 2015 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession Nos. ML15229A032 and ML15229A033), Nebraska Public power District submitted a license amendment request for Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS), requesting an approval to relocate pressure and temperature (P/T) limit curves to a P/T limits report. The proposed amendment will modify Technical Specification (TS) Section 3.4.9, "RCS [Reactor Coolant System] Pressure and Temperature (P/T) Limits," by replacing the existing reactor vessel heatup and cooldown rate limits and the P/T limit curves with references to the Pressure and Temperature Limits Report (PTLR). A definition for the PTLR will be added to TS Section 1.1, "Definitions," and a section addressing administrative requirements for the PTLR will be added to TS Section 5.6, "Reporting Requirements." The existing CNS Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approved P/T limit curves for 32 Effective Full-Power Years are not being revised as a part of this relocation. In addition, editorial corrections are being made to the Table of Contents. The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this license amendment 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 license amendment request 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.

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