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SUBJECT: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY – DETERMINATION OF ACCEPTABILITY AND SUFFICIENCY FOR DOCKETING AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING REGARDING THE APPLICATION FROM THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR THE RENEWAL OF FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. R-113 FOR THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TRIGA RESEARCH REACTOR (TAC NO. ME1593)

Dear Mr. Nuccio:

By letter dated January 5, 2009, as supplemented by letters dated November 24, 2010, February 11, 2011, March 28, 2011, May 12, 2011, June 29, 2011, July 27, 2011, August 30, 2011, September 26, 2011, October 31, 2011, November 30, 2011, January 3, 2012, January 27, 2012 (two letters), March 28, 2012, April 27, 2012, May 18, 2012, May 31, 2012, June 29, 2012, July 31, 2012, August 30, 2012, November 16, 2012, February 8, 2013, May 17, 2013, October 31, 2013, November 24, 2014, and September 8, 2015, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) submitted an application for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for renewal of Facility Operating License No. R-113 for the USGS Training, Research, Isotope Production, General Atomics Research Reactor.

Based on the review of the application, the NRC staff has determined that the USGS has submitted sufficient information such that the application is acceptable for docketing in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.33 and 10 CFR 50.34. However, this determination does not preclude requests for additional information as NRC's review proceeds. The Notice of Acceptability for Docketing has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

If you have any questions regarding this review, please contact me at 301-415-0893, or via electronic mail at Geoffrey.Wertz@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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