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SUBJECT: PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT 1, ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF  
APPLICATION TO REVISE THE EMERGENCY PLAN (CAC NO. MF7046) (L-  
15-257)

Dear Mr. Harkness:

By letter dated October 29, 2015, First Energy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) submitted an amendment request to revise the Emergency Plan for the Perry Nuclear Power Plant (PNPP) under Appendix E to Part 50 of the Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR). The proposed amendment would revise the emergency action level scheme to be based on the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) guidance in NEI 99-01, "Development of Emergency Action Levels for Non-Passive Reactors," Revision 6. The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of the proposed Emergency Plan change. 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.

Consistent with Section IV.B.2 of Appendix E to Part 50 of Title 10 of 10 CFR, a licensee desiring to change its entire emergency action level scheme shall submit an application for an amendment to its license and receive NRC approval before implementing the change.

Consistent with 10 CFR 50.90, an application for amendment to the license must fully describe the changes requested, and must follow, as far as applicable, the form prescribed for original applications. Section 10 CFR 50.34 addresses the content of technical information required. This section stipulates that the submittal address the design and operating characteristics, unusual or novel design features, and principal safety considerations.

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 amendment 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

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acceptance review. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-1627.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kimberly Green". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'K'.

Kimberly Green, Senior Project Manager  
Plant Licensing Branch III-1  
Division of Operating Reactor Licensing  
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