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**Subject: Commitment to Maintain Severe Accident Management Guidelines**

Palisades Nuclear Plant  
Docket 05000255  
DPR-20

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) Nuclear Strategic Issues Advisory Committee (NSIAC) recently approved an Industry Initiative to implement and maintain Severe Accident Management Guidelines (SAMGs). This letter establishes commitments related to SAMGs for the Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO) fleet. These guidelines would be used by emergency response personnel during accident conditions that progress beyond the mitigation capabilities described in Emergency Operating Procedures. SAMG strategies are intended to arrest the progression of fuel damage, maintain the capability of the containment as long as possible, and minimize radiological releases.

The new SAMG commitments are listed in Attachment 1.

It is expected that NRC staff personnel will conduct periodic inspections of the SAMGs, and performance deficiencies, if any, will be assessed using the Reactor Oversight Process. It is also understood that inspection activities will not extend to Nuclear Regulatory Commission review and approval of SAMG strategies, or the use of equipment, described in the SAMGs.

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Should you have any questions concerning the content of this letter, please contact Jeffery Hardy, at 269-764-2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffery Hardy", written in a cursive style.

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Attachment 1: List of Regulatory Commitments Palisades Nuclear Plant

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Attachment 1  
List of Regulatory Commitments  
Palisades Nuclear Plant

The following table identifies those actions committed to by Palisades Nuclear Plant in this document. Any other statements in this submittal are provided for information purposes and are not considered to be regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENT	TYPE (Check one)		SCHEDULED COMPLETION DATE
	ONE-TIME ACTION	CONTINUING COMPLIANCE	
ENO will consider the site Severe Accident Management Guidelines (SAMGs) within plant configuration management processes in order to ensure that the SAMGs reflect changes to the facility over time.		X	October 31, 2016
ENO will update the site Severe Accident Management Guidelines (SAMGs) to future revisions of the Pressurized Water Reactor Owner's Group (PWROG) generic severe accident technical guidelines, and the SAMGs will be integrated with other emergency response guideline sets and symptom-based Emergency Operating Procedures, and validated, using the guidance in NEI 14-01, Emergency Response Procedures and Guidelines for Beyond Design Basis Events and Severe Accidents.		X	Within two refueling outages or three years of the publication date of the guidelines, whichever is greater.