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By letter dated January 15, 2016 (ADAMS Accession Number ML16015A455; CAC MF7282), Entergy Nuclear Operations (ENO) submitted a request for approval of the Certified Fuel Handler (CFH) Training and Retraining Program for the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant (JAF). On November 18, 2015, ENO provided a formal notification to the NRC of its intention to permanently cease power operations of JAF at the end of the current operating cycle (ADAMS Accession Number ML15322A273). Upon permanent cessation of operations and permanent removal of fuel from the reactor vessel, licensed senior reactor operators and reactor operators will no longer be required to support plant operating activities. Therefore, ENO is requesting approval of the CFH Training and Retraining Program, which is needed to provide training to personnel who will facilitate activities associated with decommissioning and irradiated fuel handling and management.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of ENO's submittal. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to begin its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the submittal has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements.

The NRC staff has reviewed ENO's request for approval of the CFH Training and Retraining Program for JAF and concluded that it is acceptable because it provides technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to begin its detailed technical review of the submittal, and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed program. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the 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.

Please contact me if you have any questions. A copy of this email will be made publicly available in ADAMS.

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