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September 9, 2016

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**SUBJECT: GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION – NOTIFICATION OF EVALUATIONS OF
CHANGES, TESTS, AND EXPERIMENTS, AND PERMANENT PLANT
MODIFICATIONS INSPECTION (05000416/2016007) AND REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION**

Dear Mr. Fallacara:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff will conduct the baseline inspection of changes, tests, experiments, and permanent plant modifications at your Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1, from October 17–21 and October 31 – November 4, 2016. The inspection will consist of three reactor inspectors from the NRC's Region IV office for two weeks. The inspection will be conducted in accordance with NRC Inspection Procedure 71111.17T, "Evaluations of Changes, Tests, and Experiments and Permanent Plant Modifications."

Experience has shown that this inspection is resource intensive for both the NRC inspectors and your staff. In order to minimize the impact to your onsite resources and to ensure a productive inspection, we have enclosed a request for documents needed for this inspection. Please note that the documents are requested to be provided by October 11, 2016. Upon review of these documents, the inspectors will select additional documentation for review upon arrival. It is important that all of these documents are up-to-date and complete in order to minimize the number of additional documents requested during the preparation and/or the onsite portions of the inspection.

We have discussed the schedule for these inspection activities with your staff and understand that our regulatory contact for this inspection will be Taylor Meyer of your licensing organization. If there are any questions about this inspection or the material requested, please contact the lead inspector, Chris Smith, by telephone at 817-200-1095 or by e-mail at Chris.Smith@nrc.gov.

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Sincerely,

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Thomas R. Farnholtz, Chief
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Request for Information
Evaluations of Changes, Tests, and Experiments and Permanent Plant Modifications
Inspection
Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1

Inspection Report: 05000461/2016007

Inspection Dates: October 17–21, 2016, and October 31 – November 4, 2016

Inspection Procedure: IP 71111.17T, "Evaluations of Changes, Tests, and Experiments and Permanent Plant Modifications"

Lead Inspector: Chris Smith, Reactor Inspector

Information Requested for the In-Office Preparation Week

The following information should be sent to the Region IV office in hard copy or electronic format (preferred) by October 11, 2016, to the attention of Chris Smith. We request that you categorize the documents in your response with the numbered list below. If only hard copies of the requested documents are available or if the electronic format is too large, please inform the lead inspector and provide the documents on the first day of the onsite inspection. Also, the inspectors will select specific items from the information requested below and request from your staff additional documents needed during the on-site inspection weeks. We ask that the specific items requested be available and ready for review on the first day of inspection. If you have any questions regarding this information request, please contact the lead inspector as soon as possible.

1. Procedure(s) for conducting 10 CFR 50.59 screenings and evaluations
2. A list with descriptions of all 10 CFR 50.59 screenings (or equivalent) of fully implemented changes, tests, and experiments performed since the last triennial modification inspection that did not result in an evaluation
3. A list with descriptions of all 10 CFR 50.59 evaluations of fully implemented changes, tests, and experiments performed since the last triennial modification inspection that did not result in an application for a license amendment
4. A list with descriptions of all corrective action documents related to 10 CFR 50.59 screenings and evaluations since the last triennial modification inspection
5. A list of personnel qualified to prepare 10 CFR 50.59 screenings and/or evaluations, including qualification dates
6. A list of personnel qualified to review and approve 10 CFR 50.59 screenings and/or evaluations, including qualification dates
7. Procedure(s) for implementing permanent plant modifications
8. A list with descriptions of all permanent plant modifications fully implemented since the last triennial modification inspection

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9. A list with descriptions of all corrective action documents related to permanent plant modifications fully implemented since the last triennial modification inspection
10. Current revisions of the Technical Specifications and Bases and the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report
11. A copy of the most recent audits/self-assessments performed of the 10 CFR 50.59 and permanent plant modification programs
12. A copy of the most recent submittal of the report containing a brief description of any changes, tests, and experiments, including a summary of the evaluation of each, required by 10 CFR 50.59(d)(2)
13. A list of systems and system designators and a set of one-line (i.e., simplified) system diagrams

Note: Descriptions should be brief, but of sufficient detail to ensure that inspectors can determine the safety and/or risk significance of the screenings, evaluations, and modifications.

Note: For this inspection, permanent plant modifications include permanent plant changes, design changes, set point changes, procedure changes, equivalency evaluations, suitability analyses, calculations, and commercial grade dedications.

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