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Paul and Brian,

By letter dated August 30, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML16243A233), PSEG Nuclear LLC (the licensee, PSEG) submitted a license amendment request (LAR) for Salem Creek Generating Station, Units 1 and 2 (Salem). The amendment request would revise the Salem technical specifications (TS) to eliminate TS 6.8.4.j, "Inservice Testing Program," consistent with TSTF-545, Revision 3, and "TS Inservice Testing Program Removal & Clarity SR [Surveillance Requirement] Usage Rule Application to Section 5.5 Testing." Also, included in the August 30, 2016 letter is a relief request (RR) that proposes an alternative to the testing frequencies in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Operation and Maintenance (OM) Code, by adoption of approved Code Case OMN-20, "Inservice Test Frequency," for the current 10 year Inservice Testing interval.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of the license amendment and relief requests. 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.

The NRC staff has completed its acceptance review of your LAR and RR. The NRC staff has concluded that both requests 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 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 Michael Marshall at (301) 415-2871 or michael.marshall@nrc.gov or me at (301) 415-1603 or carleen.parker@nrc.gov.

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