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This request for additional information (RAI) identifies information needed by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff to complete the review.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The NRC staff has also approved NEDE-31559, GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy Quality Assurance Plan-Morris Operation," under docket number 71-0004 for limited Part 71 activities. As a part of this review, the NRC staff identified that GEH Nuclear Energy deleted reference to Part 71 and stated, in part, that any activities related to 10 CFR Part 71 shall be performed per topical report GEH Quality Assurance Plan Description (QAPD) NEDO-11209A. Therefore, if the NRC approves the changes made to NEDE-31559, then the Quality Assurance Program (QAP) Approval applicable to 10 CFR Part 71 packaging and transportation activities occurring at the Morris Facility would void the conditions of the NRC approved QAP under docket number 71-0004 without reasons for such changes.

Clarify how the proposed changes to NEDE-31559 would affect Parts 71 and 72 activities conducted under docket number 71-0004 and the intent to establish, maintain, and execute a quality assurance program satisfying each of the applicable criteria of subparts H and G, for Parts 71 and 72, respectively.

The staff requests this information to determine compliance with 10 CFR 71.105 and 10 CFR 72.140(d).

Enclosure