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SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE FOR REVIEW OF GLOBAL NUCLEAR FUEL PROPOSED  
AMENDMENT 43 TO NEDE-24011-P-A-23, GENERAL ELECTRIC STANDARD  
APPLICATION FOR REACTOR FUEL SECTION 3.4 (CAC NO. MF8883)

Dear Mr. Head:

By letter dated November 14, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML16319A252), Global Nuclear Fuel submitted for U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff review Proposed Amendment 43 to NEDE-24011-P-A-23, General Electric Standard Application for Reactor Fuel (GESTARII) Section 3.4. The NRC staff has performed an acceptance review of this topical report (TR). We have found that the material presented is sufficient to begin our review. We expect to issue our request for additional information by May 30, 2017, and issue our draft safety evaluation by July 21, 2017.

This schedule information takes into consideration the NRC's current review priorities and available technical resources and may be subject to change. If modifications to these dates are deemed necessary, we will provide appropriate updates to this information. The NRC staff estimates that the review will require approximately 110 staff hours including project management. The review schedule milestones and estimated review costs were discussed and agreed upon in an email exchange between Mr. James Harrison and the NRC staff on April 12, 2017.

Section 170.21 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* requires that TRs are subject to fees based on the full cost of the review. You did not request a fee waiver; therefore, NRC staff hours will be billed accordingly.

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Please contact Joseph A. Golla at (301) 415-1002, if you have any questions on this subject.

Sincerely,

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