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Office of the Nuclear Security and Incident Response  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

**SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST – PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION EMERGENCY PLAN FOR PERMANENTLY DEFUELED CONDITION**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The FEMA Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program received your letter dated March 24, 2017, requesting FEMA's review of the proposed licensee staffing changes against the current FEMA approved state and local Radiological Emergency Preparedness Plans regarding the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station (OCNGS) Emergency Plan. The proposed changes to the OCNGS Emergency Plan would eliminate specific on-shift and augmented emergency response organization (ERO) positions based on written certification to the NRC under 10 CFR 50.82(a)(1) of the permanent cessation of reactor operation and transfer of spent fuel from the reactor vessel. The proposed on-shift and ERO staffing changes are commensurate with the reduced spectrum of credible accidents from an operating power reactor and must continue to meet the standards of 10 CFR 50.47 and the requirements of Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50.

The FEMA REP staff reviewed the proposed licensee staffing changes to the Oyster Creek Emergency Operations Facility and Joint Information Center against the current FEMA approved State of New Jersey and Ocean County REP Plans and can confirm that no adverse impacts exist that would preclude the effective implementation of state and local REP Plans or impact FEMA's finding of reasonable assurance for OCNGS.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself at 202-646-2849 or Alonzo McSwain at 202-341-4931.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vanessa E. Quinn".

Vanessa E. Quinn

Chief

Radiological Emergency Preparedness Branch