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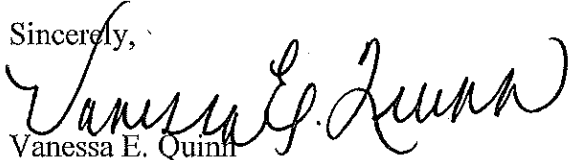
**SUBJECT: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REVIEW OF REVISION TO
THE PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION EMERGENCY PLAN TO ADDRESS
THE PERMANENTLY DEFUELED CONDITION**

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program received your letter dated March 8, 2018, requesting FEMA's review of the proposed licensee staffing changes against the current FEMA approved state and local REP Plans regarding the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS) Emergency Plan. The proposed changes to the PNPS 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. Specifically of note, Section 3.2.2.6 to Attachment 1 of the PNPS Emergency Plan describes discussions with the Emergency Directors from the towns of Carver, Kingston, Duxbury and Marshfield regarding the elimination of the Offsite Liaison positions at the respective town emergency operations centers (EOCs).

FEMA Region I and Headquarters REP staff reviewed the proposed licensee staffing changes to the PNPS Emergency Operations Facility and Joint Information Center against the current FEMA approved Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and local municipalities REP Plans. Based on our review, FEMA confirms that no adverse impacts exist precluding the effective implementation of state and local REP Plans or impact FEMA's ongoing finding of Reasonable Assurance for PNPS.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-646-2849 or Timothy Harris III at 202-765-6727.

Sincerely,

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