

June 25, 2018

Mr. Gary Peters, Director
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Framatome, Inc.
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SUBJECT: DRAFT SAFETY EVALUATION FOR FRAMATOME INC. TOPICAL REPORT
ANP-10342P, REVISION 0, "GAIA FUEL ASSEMBLY MECHANICAL DESIGN"
(CAC NO. MF9078/EPID: L-2016-TOP-0016)

Dear Mr. Peters:

By letter dated December 21, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML16362A278), Framatome, Inc. (Framatome, formerly AREVA, Inc.) submitted Topical Report (TR) ANP-10342P, Revision 0, "GAIA Fuel Assembly Mechanical Design," to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff for review and approval. Enclosed for Framatome review and comment is a copy of the NRC staff's draft safety evaluation (SE) for the TR.

Pursuant to Section 2.390 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), we have determined that the enclosed draft SE may contain proprietary information. If you believe that any information in the enclosure is proprietary, please identify such information line-by-line and define the basis pursuant to the criteria of 10 CFR 2.390. Twenty working days are provided for you to comment on the proprietary aspects and provide any factual errors or clarity concerns contained in the draft SE. The final SE will be issued after making any necessary changes and will be made publicly available. The NRC staff's disposition of your comments on the draft SE will be discussed in the final SE.

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To facilitate the NRC staff's review of your comments, please provide a marked-up copy of the draft SE showing proposed changes and provide a summary table of the proposed changes.

If you have any questions, please contact Jonathan G. Rowley, Jr. at 301-415-4053.

Sincerely,

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Enclosure:
As stated

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