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SUBJECT: ADVANCED BOILING-WATER REACTOR DESIGN CERTIFICATION
RENEWAL APPLICATION — SAFETY EVALUATION WITH NO OPEN ITEMS
FOR SECTION 2.3, "METEOROLOGY"

Dear Mr. Head:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is preparing a safety evaluation (SE) with no open items to supplement the final safety evaluation report associated with the staff's review of the advanced boiling-water reactor (ABWR) design that was documented in NUREG-1503, "Final Safety Evaluation Report Related to the Certification of the Advanced Boiling Water Reactor Design," and NUREG-1503, Supplement 1. This SE will document the staff's review of your application dated December 7, 2010, to renew the ABWR design certification.

The staff's SE for Section 2.3, "Meteorology," is being provided to the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards Subcommittee to support a future meeting of the ACRS Subcommittee.

The enclosed SE is being provided only to GEH for review of proprietary information pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 2.390 "Public Inspections, Exemptions, Requests for Withholding." The staff concludes that the enclosed SE does not contain any information for which exemption from public disclosure has been sought or approved or any factual errors. However, the NRC will withhold the enclosed SE from public disclosure for 10 business days from the date of this letter to allow you the opportunity to verify the staff's conclusion that the SE contains no such exempt information or any factual errors. If within that 10 day period, you do not request that all or portions of the SE be withheld from public disclosure, the enclosure will be made available for public inspection through the NRC Public Document Room and the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System and placed on the NRC's public web page for this application.

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If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, I can be reached at 301-415-4093 or via e-mail address at Adrian.Muniz@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. 52-045

Enclosure:
As stated

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