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Mr. Gary Peters, Director
Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
Framatome Inc.
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Lynchburg, VA 24501

SUBJECT: VERIFICATION LETTER OF THE APPROVAL VERSION OF FRAMATOME INC.
TOPICAL REPORT BAW-10247P-A, SUPPLEMENT 2P-A, REVISION 0,
"REALISTIC THERMAL-MECHANICAL FUEL ROD METHODOLOGY FOR
BOILING WATER REACTORS SUPPLEMENT 2: MECHANICAL METHODS"
(MF7708/EPID: L-2016-TOP-0005)

Dear Mr. Peters:

By letter dated August 31, 2018 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML18249A104), Framatome Inc. (Framatome, formerly AREVA Inc.) submitted an approval ("-A") version of Topical Report (TR) BAW-10247P-A, Supplement 2P-A, Revision 0, "Realistic Thermal-Mechanical Fuel Rod Methodology for Boiling Water Reactors Supplement 2: Mechanical Methods," to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff. Framatome has done so in accordance with our request to publish approval proprietary and non-proprietary versions of this TR, as detailed in the transmittal letter dated August 15, 2018, of the NRC staff's final safety evaluation (ADAMS Accession No. ML18040B299) for the original TR.

The NRC staff has completed its review of the approval version of the TR. The NRC staff verified that Framatome has met the requirements and determined that the submitted "-A" versions are acceptable for referencing in licensing applications for nuclear power plants to the extent specified and under the limitations delineated in the accepted versions of the TR. TR BAW-10247P-A, Supplement 2P-A, Revision 0, "Realistic Thermal-Mechanical Fuel Rod Methodology for Boiling Water Reactors Supplement 2: Mechanical Methods," is now approved for use in future licensing actions.

Please contact Jonathan G. Rowley of my staff at (301) 415-4053 if you have on questions on this subject.

Sincerely,

/RA Holly Cruz for/

Dennis C. Morey, Chief
Licensing Processes Branch
Division of Licensing Projects
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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