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SUBJECT: TRAVELER TSTF-490, REVISION 0, "DELETION OF E BAR DEFINITION AND REVISION TO RCS SPECIFIC ACTIVITY TECH SPEC"

Dear Members of the Technical Specifications Task Force:

The Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF) submitted Traveler TSTF-490, Revision 0, "Deletion of E Bar Definition and Revision to RCS [Reactor Coolant System] Specific Activity Tech Spec [Technical Specification]," on September 13, 2005 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML052630462). Traveler TSTF-490, Revision 0, was approved on March 8, 2007 (ADAMS Accession No. ML070250176). The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff published a Notice of Availability in the *Federal Register* (FR) on March 19, 2007 (72 FR 12838).

Subsequently, during plant-specific reviews to adopt TSTF-490, the NRC identified a need for additional information related to increasing the completion time for dose equivalent Xenon-133 (DEX). By letter dated April 27, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16113A402), the NRC staff notified the TSTF of additional information that licensees adopting TSTF-490 would need to provide.

The additional information and its basis were discussed with the TSTF during several meetings. Upon further review of plant-specific submittals, the NRC staff has determined that additional information is not necessary. The TSTF-490 traveler justification was supported by the plant-specific reviews. The NRC staff position is that the additional information requested in the NRC's letter dated April 27, 2016, is not needed from licensees adopting TSTF-490, Revision 0, and that the model safety evaluation Section 3.1.6 is still valid.

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Honcharik at 301-415-1774 or via e-mail at Michelle.Honcharik@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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