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SUBJECT: BELLEFONTE NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 – SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION NEEDED FOR ACCEPTANCE OF REQUESTED APPLICATION FOR ORDER APPROVING CONSTRUCTION PERMIT TRANSFERS AND CONFORMING ADMINISTRATIVE CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AMENDMENTS (EPID NO. L-2018-LLM-0004)

Dear Mr. McCollum:

By letter dated November 13, 2018 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML18318A428), Nuclear Development, LLC (ND) submitted its application requesting that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) consent to the transfer of Construction Permits (CP) CPPR-122 and CPPR-123 for the Bellefonte Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, currently held by Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), to ND. In addition, the application requests a conforming amendment that would change the named CP holder and extend the CP expiration dates, a license condition for financial qualifications, as well as an exemption pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.12, from certain requirements related to financial qualifications for construction permits.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this license transfer application. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there was sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review was also intended to identify whether the application has any information insufficiencies in the characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant. The staff followed the requirements of 10 CFR 2.101 and the guidance in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation's Office Instruction LIC-109, Revision 2, "Acceptance Review Procedures," to complete this review.

The regulations in 10 CFR 50.80, 10 CFR 50.33, and 10 CFR 50.34 address the requirements for license transfer applications. Consistent with 10 CFR 50.80, an application for a construction permit transfer must provide as much of the information described in 10 CFR 50.33 and 10 CFR 50.34 with respect to the financial and technical qualifications of the transferee as if it was for an initial license.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that the supplemental information delineated in the enclosure to this letter is necessary to enable the staff to make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed license transfer application in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment.

The NRC staff requests that ND supplement the application to address the information requested in the enclosure within 3 months of receipt of this letter. During the response period, the staff will cease its review activities and consider the application to be deferred. If information fully responsive to the NRC staff's request is not received by the above date, the application will not be accepted for review, pursuant to 10 CFR 2.101, and the NRC will cease its review activities associated with the application.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding the staff positions or information requested herein at (301) 415-5848 or [Bill.Gleaves@nrc.gov](mailto:Bill.Gleaves@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Supplemental Information Needed

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