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Subject: 2.206 Petition Regarding Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station's Current Licensing Basis for Flooding – 60-Day Status Report (OEDO-15-00479) (CAC NO. MF6460; EPID L-2015-CRS-0002)
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Mr. Lochbaum,
In accordance with Management Directive 8.11, "Review Process for 10 CFR 2.206 Petitions," I am writing to provide you a status update on your petition submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 2.206, dated June 24, 2015, regarding the current licensing basis on flooding for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (Pilgrim). This e-mail provides a status since my last update to you on December 8, 2018.
In the June 8, 2017, update, I informed you that the issue of reevaluated flooding hazards raised in your petition is currently being considered by the Commission as part of SECY-16-0142, the mitigation of beyond-design-basis event (MBDBE) draft final rule dated December 15, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16301A005). Furthermore, given the deferral in the closure of the Pilgrim flood assessments associated with the March 12, 2012, request for information and the Commission consideration of the issues raised in your petition as part of the MBDBE draft final rule, the petition review board (PRB) determined that the Commission's decision on the MBDBE draft final rule would likely disposition your petition. The Commission recently provided direction on the MBDBE rule on January 24, 2019. The SRM and other documents related to SECY-16-0142, "Final Rule-Mitigation of Beyond-Design-Basis events," are available under ADAMS Accession No. ML19023A038. The staff is currently reviewing the Commission direction and the PRB is expected to convene in late February, 2019. I will let you know about the PRB's recommendations on the path forward after the PRB deliberations.

Sincerely, Booma
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