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SUBJECT: THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION RECEIPT OF THE
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ASSESSMENT OF LICENSING IMPACTS ON CONSTRUCTION –
EXPERIENCE WITH MAKING CHANGES DURING CONSTRUCTION UNDER
PART 52" DATED OCTOBER 23, 2018

Dear Mr. True:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received your letter (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML18305B421) dated October 23, 2018. The letter presents a proposed alternative to requiring continuous compliance with the licensing basis of a combined license during construction. We have reviewed your proposal and are considering including the issue of changes during construction in our scope of the upcoming rulemaking associated with SECY-15-0002, "Proposed Updates of Licensing Policies, Rules, and Guidance for Future New Reactor Applications," dated January 8, 2015. In addition, SECY-19-0034 (titled "Improving Design Certification Content") addresses related issues for future applicants.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Hayes at (301) 415-7442 or via e-mail Barbara.Hayes@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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