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May 2, 2019

Mr. Victor Montalbano, Vice President
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Lynchburg, VA 24501

SUBJECT: VENDOR INSPECTION OF FRAMATOME QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM
AND TITLE 10 OF THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS PART 21
PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

Dear Mr. Montalbano:

This letter documents the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's plan to perform an inspection at Framatome to review the implementation of your quality assurance program and reporting program in accordance with Appendix B, "Quality Assurance Program Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and Fuel Reprocessing Plants," to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," and 10 CFR Part 21, "Reporting of Defects and Noncompliance." Specifically, the quality assurance and Part 21 programs implementation will be reviewed as they pertain to Framatome's design, qualification, and commercial-grade dedication activities related to basic components supplied to U.S. NRC regulated facilities. As discussed in a phone call on April 25, 2019, the inspectors plan to be on site at your facility beginning Monday, June 24, 2019, and will conduct the inspection through Friday, June 28, 2019. Subsequent to the inspection, a report will be issued and transmitted to you via letter. The lead inspector for this effort is Mr. Jonathan Ortega-Luciano; you may contact him at (301) 415-1159 or via electronic mail at Jonathan.Ortega-Luciano@nrc.gov.

The following docket number has been assigned to your facility: 99901300. Please reference this number on any correspondence relating to this inspection activity sent to the NRC.

Sincerely,

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Division of Inspection and Regional Support
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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