

September 6, 2019

Michael Scott
Director, Division of Preparedness and Response
Office of Nuclear Security and Response
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop T4D22A
Washington, D.C. 20555

RE: Results of the Preliminary Capabilities Assessment (PCA) for the St. Lucie Power Plant

Dear Mr. Scott:

On September 5, 2019, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) completed its PCA of the State of Florida, and local communities within the 10-mile Emergency Planning Zone (EPZ) of the St. Lucie Nuclear Power Plant following Hurricane Dorian. The Assessment included the examination of the local offsite response organizations, to include but not limited to, communication capabilities, Emergency Operations Center functionality, and possibly blocked evacuation routes, in order to assess their continued capability to adequately respond to an incident at the plant.

Based on the PCA performed and our review of available information gathered in discussions with the Offsite Response Organizations (OROs), FEMA concludes that offsite radiological emergency preparedness (EP) remains adequate to provide "Reasonable Assurance" and that appropriate measures can be taken to protect the health and safety of the public in a radiological emergency at the St. Lucie Nuclear Power Plant. At this time, FEMA is not initiating actions to conduct a Disaster Initiated Review (DIR) of the nuclear stations 10-mile EPZ's.

Please contact me at 202-704-4242, if you have any questions or require any further assistance on this matter.

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Sincerely,

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Attachment:

RIV Preliminary Capabilities Assessment (PCA)

cc: Deputy Administrator, Resilience Assistant Administrator, National Preparedness Directorate Associate Administrator, Office of Response and Recovery FEMA National Watch Center