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April 21, 2020

Mr. Mark D. Sartain, Vice President – Nuclear Engineering and Fleet Support Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc. 5000 Dominion Boulevard Glenn Allen VA 23060

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF EXEMPTION FOR KEWAUNEE INDEPENDENT SPENT FUEL

STORAGE INSTALLATION

Dear Mr. Sartain:

By letter dated January 16, 2020 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML20035C759), as supplemented on March 19, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20086K860), Dominion Energy Kewaunee, Inc. (Dominion), submitted an application requesting an exemption pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 72.7, for the Kewaunee Power Station (Kewaunee) to use two exceptions to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel (B&PV) Code for the storage of spent fuel in the independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI) at Kewaunee using the MAGNASTOR storage cask. Specifically, you requested an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 72.212(a)(2), 10 CFR 72.212(b)(3), 10 CFR 72.212(b)(5)(i), 10 CFR 72.214, and the portion of 10 CFR 72.212(b)(11), which requires compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in the certificate of compliance (CoC) for each spent fuel cask used by an ISFSI general licensee.

The NRC staff reviewed Dominion's exemption request for the Kewaunee ISFSI. The details of the review are included in the enclosed safety evaluation report. Based upon the staff's evaluation, the NRC has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 72.7, the exemption is authorized by law, will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest.

Accordingly, the NRC hereby grants Kewaunee an exemption from the requirements in 10 CFR 72.212(a)(2), 10 CFR 72.212(b)(3), 10 CFR 72.212(b)(5)(i), 10 CFR 72.214, and the portion of 10 CFR 72.212(b)(11) that requires compliance with terms, conditions, and specifications of the CoC to load and store spent fuel using Amendment No. 6 of CoC No. 1031 (ADAMS Package Accession No. ML16319A064) for the MAGNASTOR® storage system to authorize two exceptions to the ASME B&PV Code Section III, Division 1, Subsection NG-2300, Charpy V-notch testing direction requirement for carbon steel plate material greater than 0.625 inches thick and the post-heat treatment ultrasonic testing (UT) requirements in ASME B&PV Code Section III, Division 1, Subsection NG-2500, for rolled carbon steel plate material greater than 0.75 inches thick.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the publicly available records component of the NRC's

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document system, ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Website at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-5722, or Bernard White of my staff, at (301) 415-6577.

Sincerely,

John McKirgan, Chief Storage and Transportation Licensing Branch Division of Fuel Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

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