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SUBJECT:

CPB QUESTIONS ON VOGTLE 1 & 2

Enclosed are the questions on Section 4.2 of the Vogtle 1 & 2 FSAR. These were prepared by PNL on contract B2544 under CPB direction. Please forward these questions to the applicant.

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Enclosure: As stated

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CORE PERFORMANCE BRANCH QUESTION ON VOGTLE 1 AND 2

- The reference in Section 4.2.1.3 for fuel rod models does not appear to be correct. Please confirm that it should be Reference 6 rather than Reference 5.
- Verify that the methods and criteria used for the fuel to be used in the Vogtle reactor are those described in WCAP-9400.

 If this is not so, then provide this information as delineated in Section 4.2 of the SRP for the fuel design basis and design evaluation.
- 490.3 (a) Provide the results of the cladding creep collapse analysis for the fuel to be used in Vogtle.
 - (b) Verify that the fuel rod internal pressure criterion that the pellet-clad gap not increase when the internal pressure is greater than RCS pressure is satisfied.
- The use of the CVCS letdown monitor for detecting fuel rod failures has been explained in the Vogtle FSAR. Is there a definite commitment and plan for the active use of this system to monitor fuel failures, as per SRP Section 4.2?
- Does the analysis of the fuel handling accident (Section 15.7.4 of the FSAR) take into account that the peak pellet burnup of approximately 50,000 MWd/tonne of uranium shown on p. 4.2-2 exceeds the value (i.e., approximately 45,000 MWd/t) stated in Footnote a, 3 of Table 15.7.4-2 (Sheet 13 of 13)?