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Finally, although the current dose projections (2039 man-rem for the entire pipe replacement project) are slightly higher than the original projections (1945 man-rem), the additional dosage is minor, is expected to be conservative, and will require no additional Nuclear Reactor Regulation review at this time.

Sincerely,

"UNIGINAL SIGNED BY JOHN F. STOLZ"

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