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The amendment would revise Technical Specifications 5.3.1 and 5.6.1.1 to allow storage of fuel assemblies of up to 4.5 weight percent U-235 which is an increase from the current limit of 3.5 weight percent U-235. Technical Specification 5.6.1.1 is also being revised to reflect the actual spent fuel pool storage rack nominal cell pitch of 9.236 inches. In addition, the Acceptable/Unacceptable regions of Figure 5.6-1 and Figure 3.9-1 are being changed on the Burnup versus Enrichment graphs to reflect the higher possible enrichments.

A copy of our related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. The notice of issuance will be included in the Commission's next bi-weekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely.

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