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Executive Director for Operations

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It is my present understanding that the reason for the Davis Besse schedule slippage is the need to replace the reactor coolant pump shafts due to the recently discovered shaft cracking. Furthermore, I understand that replacement of shafts is being voluntarily undertaken by the licensee. Finally, I understand that the licensee has delayed their final submittal to staff on IIT items to take advantage of the additional time made available as a result of the outage extension.

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Please provide the schedule for the final licensee submittal. I would also appreciate receiving your schedule for completing the staff's evaluation of the Davis Besse IIT items and sending a report to the Commission. Finally, I would like to know when you will be able to brief the Commission on the IIT results.

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