Good afternoon Marc,

By letter dated April 30, 2020 (Agencywide Document Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20205L618) the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) submitted the topical report (TR) "Remote Source Verification During a Pandemic or Similar State of Emergency: Screening Criteria and Process Guidance," EPRI 3002019436. Based on its review of the TR, the NRC staff finds it acceptable for referencing subject to the limitations specified in the TR.

A copy of the draft safety evaluation (SE) for the TR has been placed in the box.com folder. You have been given access to the folder. The draft SE is being provided for an accuracy, clarity, and proprietary information review.

If you believe that any information in the draft SE is proprietary, please identify such information line-by-line and define the basis pursuant to the criteria of 10 CFR 2.390. Use brackets and yellow highlight to identify any [proprietary information]. After 10 working days, the draft SE will be made publicly available, if appropriate, and an additional 10 working days are provided for you to comment on any factual errors or clarity concerns contained in the draft SE. The final SE will be issued after making any necessary changes.

When you respond, it must be via a letter from an authorized individual. Also, please provide an electronic Word file redline/strikeout version of the SE either via email or the box.com folder. Plus, provide in the formal transmittal and in a separate Word file, a table with the following columns; Comment No., Page and Line No., Comment type (clarity, accuracy, proprietary), Suggested Revision, and a blank column NRC Disposition.

Note that at this stage of the process the NRC staff has completed its review of the submitted information and will not entertain technical arguments. The staff conclusions and conditions will not change unless new information is provided that was not available during our review. If EPRI would like to discuss the draft SE in detail, we can do that in a noticed meeting that can be closed if proprietary information will be discussed.

Both this email and the draft SE have been placed in ADAMS and made Official Agency Records. The draft SE is declared as nonpublic because it may contain proprietary information. This email is declared public.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 301-415-7297 or by email at <u>jjh1@nrc.gov</u>.

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