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## SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF GE-HITACHI NUCLEAR ENERGY AMERICAS QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION (NEDO-11209-A, REVISION 16)

Dear Mr.Gerdes:

By letter dated July 29, 2020 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20211L779), GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy (GEH) submitted for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff's review, proposed Revision 16 to NEDO-11209-A, Revision 15, "GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy Quality Assurance Program Description (QAPD)" in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 50.4(b)(7)(ii). Subsequently, the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Division of Reactor Oversight, Quality Assurance and Vendor Inspection Branch staff reviewed GEH's submittal and determined that the quality assurance program described in the QAPD meets the criteria of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, and was, therefore, acceptable (ADAMS Accession No. ML20314A122).

Enclosed is the Quality Assurance (QA) Program Approval for Radioactive Material Packages No. 0254, Revision No. 12. This approval satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR 71.17(b) and 71.101(c) for a QA Program approved by the NRC, as well as, approval of those changes to your quality assurance program that are considered reductions in commitments to the NRC prior to implementation as required by 10 CFR 71.106.

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M. Gerdes

If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-415-0324 or Mr. Earl Love at 301-415-7011.

Sincerely,

Leira Cuadrado, Chief Inspection and Oversight Branch Division of Fuel Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

Docket No.: 71-0254

Enclosure: QA Program Approval No. 71-0254, Rev. No. 12 M. Gerdes

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