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Mr. Doug E. True
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Dear Mr. True:

I am responding to the petition for rulemaking (PRM) submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) by the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) on August 2, 2018 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML18247A204). In the PRM, NEI requests the NRC to amend its regulations in Section 50.72, "Immediate notification requirements for operating nuclear power plants," of Part 50 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) to eliminate the requirements for licensees to immediately report nonemergency events that occur at operating nuclear power plants. The NRC docketed the PRM on September 4, 2018, under Docket Number PRM-50-116.

The NRC published a notice of docketing and request for comment in the *Federal Register* on November 20, 2018 (83 FR 58509). The comment period closed on February 4, 2019, and the NRC received 16 public comment submissions on the petition.

The NRC has reviewed NEI's petition and the public comments. For the reasons provided in the enclosed notice, the NRC will evaluate its current requirements and guidance within the rulemaking process with the goal of reducing unnecessary reporting burden in 10 CFR 50.72(b).

Public comments and supporting materials related to this petition can be found at <https://www.regulations.gov> by searching on the petition Docket ID NRC-2018-0201 or the future rulemaking Docket ID NRC-2020-0036. The NRC tracks the status of all PRMs on its Web sites at <https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/rulemaking-ruleforum/petitions-by-year.html> and <https://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/rulemaking/rules-petitions.html>.

The docket for this petition is closed. You may direct any questions regarding this matter to Daniel Doyle at 301-415-3748, or by e-mailing Daniel.Doyle@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

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