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SUBJECT: GENERAL ELECTRIC-HITACHI 2020 TRIENNIAL UPDATE TO  
DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING PLAN (ENTERPRISE PROJECT IDENTIFIER  
L-2020-DFA-0002)

Dear Scott P. Murray:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has completed its review of your submittal dated March 6, 2020 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20066J977), providing General Electric-Hitachi's (GEH's) triennial update to the decommissioning funding plan (DFP) for the Vallecitos Nuclear Center (VNC). The GEH's submittal was supplemented by letters dated June 2, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20154K650), January 12, 2022 (ADAMS Accession No. ML22012A148), and January 24, 2022 (ADAMS Accession No. ML22024A313), and electronic communication dated March 2, 2021 (ADAMS Accession No. ML21294A077). We found your updated cost estimate acceptable. Enclosed please find the safety evaluation report documenting the NRC staff review of the updated DFP and supplemental information.

In accordance with 10 CFR 70.25(e)(1)(iv) and (v) GEH must provide a Certification of Financial Assurance and financial assurance instruments to cover the full amount of the NRC-approved decommissioning cost estimate. This also includes updating Schedule A to its Standby Trust Agreement. Within 30 days of the date of this letter, GEH must submit the financial instrument and an updated copy of the DFP. The NRC will amend special nuclear materials license number SNM-960 for the VNC to reflect the date of the updated DFP following receipt of the requested documents. All efforts under Enterprise Project Identifier (EPID) L-2020-DFA-0002 will remain open until the NRC issues the amended license.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC's Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). Non-public documents will be withheld from the public.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Osiris Siurano-Perez at 301-415-7827, or via e-mail to [Osiris.Siurano-Perez@nrc.gov](mailto:Osiris.Siurano-Perez@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Fuel Facility Licensing Branch  
Division of Fuel Management  
Office of Nuclear Material Safety  
and Safeguards

Docket No. 07000754  
License No. SNM-960

Enclosure:  
Safety Evaluation Report

cc: Matt J. Feyrer, GE Hitachi

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