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Mr. Gary Peters, Director
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SUBJECT: THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION'S REVISED SCHEDULE FOR THE REVIEW OF FRAMATOME'S TOPICAL REPORT, ANP-10339P, REVISION 0, "ARITA - ARTEMIS/RELAP INTEGRATED TRANSIENT ANALYSIS METHODOLOGY" (EPID L-2018-TOP-0034)

Dear Mr. Peters:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff plans to revise the schedule for its review of Framatome, Inc. (Framatome) Topical Report (TR) ANP-10339P, Revision 0, "ARITA - ARTEMIS/RELAP Integrated Transient Analysis Methodology" (ARITA) (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Package Accession No. ML18242A480), submitted on August 28, 2018. By letter dated April 26, 2022 (ADAMS Accession No. ML22097A264), the NRC staff revised the ANP-10339P, Revision 0, review schedule, which included the submission date of May 31, 2022, for Framatome's expected final and combined response to the request for additional information (RAI) questions, and TR updates. In a letter dated June 30, 2022 (ADAMS Package Accession No. ML22193A169), Framatome submitted the final and combined response to the RAI questions, and TR updates. In an e-mail (ADAMS Accession No. ML22265A109) dated September 20, 2022, Framatome requested that the NRC prioritize the review of TR BAW-10227P, Revision 2, "Evaluation of Advanced Cladding and Structural Material (M5) in PWR Reactor Fuel" over ANP-10339P, Revision 0.

Due to the complexity of the TR ANP-10339P, Revision 0, review, resource challenges, the magnitude and delay of the June 30, 2022, submittal, and M5 TR priority request, the NRC staff plans to revise the current ANP-10339P, Revision 0, review schedule. This revised schedule provides a new baseline for the TR ANP-10339P, Revision 0, review. The NRC staff plans to issue the draft safety evaluation (SE) by January 16, 2023, and final SE by March 31, 2023, as annotated in the enclosed revised schedule. Additionally, the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) subcommittee and full committee meetings will be rescheduled to February 16, 2023, and March 2, 2023, respectively.

If you have any questions regarding the TR review, please contact me at 301-415-6695 or via email at Ngola.Otto@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:
As stated

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REVISED REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR THE FRAMATOME, INC.
TOPICAL REPORT ANP-10339P, REVISION 0,
“ARITA - ARTEMIS/RELAP INTEGRATED TRANSIENT ANALYSIS METHODOLOGY”
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Milestone	Previous Date	Revised Date
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Issues Draft Safety Evaluation (SE)	November 10, 2022	January 16, 2023
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee Meeting	December 16, 2022	February 16, 2023
ACRS Full Committee Meeting	February 2, 2023	March 2, 2023
NRC Issues Final SE	February 28, 2023	March 31, 2023

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