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Transmittal of PWROG-22010-NP, Revision 0, “Risk Assessment Process for Review of Topical Reports (RAPTR)” (PA-RMSC-1835, R1)

References: 1. U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission NRR Temporary Staff Guidance TSG-DORL-2021-01, Revision 2, “Risk-Informed Process for Evaluations,” May 10, 2022 ([ML22088A136](#))

The purpose of this letter is to transmit Pressurized Water Reactor Owners Group (PWROG) Report, PWROG-22010-NP, Revision 0, “Risk Assessment Process for Review of Topical Reports (RAPTR).”

The document contains a process for addressing generic issues that are determined to have a minimal impact on safety.

The NRC issued Temporary Staff Guidance (TSG) for Risk Informed Process for Evaluations (RIPE) (Reference 1), which contains a framework for the streamlined processing of license amendment requests (LARs) and exemption requests. That framework can be expanded to allow issues of minimal safety impact to be addressed generically, and after NRC approval of a Topical Report (TR) that contains a generic risk assessment, to be implemented on a plant-specific basis by referencing the NRC approved TR. This new framework or process is called the Risk Assessment Process for Review of Topical Reports (RAPTR).

The RAPTR framework expands on RIPE, which can only be used on a plant specific basis, to address generic issues that have a minimal safety impact, so that they can be addressed generically, and implemented on a plant specific basis after the NRC approves a TR. The RAPTR process would be the most efficient use of licensee and NRC staff and resources to address generic issues of minimal safety impact, rather than addressing them via plant specific RIPE submittals. Additionally, the RAPTR process includes the plant specific implementation of a generic NRC approved TR via 10CFR50.59, if prior NRC approval is determined to not be required, which

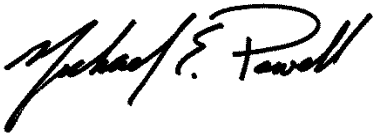
eliminates plant-specific NRC reviews. The RAPTR process will allow licensees and the NRC staff to focus on generic issues that have a high safety impact.

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Enclosure: 1. PWROG-22010-NP, Revision 0, "Risk Assessment Process for Review of Topical Reports (RAPTR)," Westinghouse Non-Proprietary Class 3

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