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**Subject:** GEH Description of Process for Decommissioning the Vallecitos Nuclear Center (VNC) Shutdown Reactors – GETR Decommissioning Plan

- References:**
- 1) NRC License DPR-1, Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor (VBWR), Docket 05000018
  - 2) NRC License DR-10, Empire State Atomic Development Associates Vallecitos Experimental Steam Reactor (EVESR), Docket 05000183
  - 3) NRC License TR-1, General Electric Test Reactor (GETR), Docket 05000070
  - 4) Letter, P. Holahan (NRC) to S. Murray (GEH), Acceptance of Request to Withdraw Alternate Decommissioning Schedule, 10/12/21 (ML21258A042)
  - 5) Letter, M. Feyrer (GEH) to NRC Document Control Desk, GEH Description of Process for Decommissioning the VNC Shutdown Reactors, 11/11/21 (ML21315A005)
  - 6) Letter, A. Roberts (NRC) to M. Feyrer (GEH), GEH VNC Response to the Description for Decommissioning the Shutdown Reactors, 4/8/22 (ML22066A569)
  - 7) Letter, J. Wileman (GEH) to NRC Document Control Desk, Application for Consent to Direct Transfers of Control of Licenses and Related Conforming Amendments, 9/1/23 (ML23244A246)
  - 8) MS Teams meeting between NRC and GEH to Discuss Decommissioning Planning for VBWR and GETR, 9/13/23

In Reference 4, NRC stated GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy, LLC (GEH) should submit a GETR license termination application and a proposed decommissioning plan within two years of the date of the letter (by October 12, 2023) which resulted in a projected date of October 11, 2023.

In Reference 5, GEH provided a description of the process to be used for the continued decommissioning of the shutdown VBWR, EVESR, and GETR facilities. Included in that description was a high-level schedule to provide several decommissioning related documents and applications.

During our meeting on September 13, 2023 (Reference 8), we discussed our September 1, 2023, request (Reference 7) and discussed delaying the scheduled date to submit the GETR license termination application and decommissioning plan until after the license transfers are approved. The amended license holder will provide a revised schedule and plan for the VNC GETR reactor facility.


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Please acknowledge this change is acceptable.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (910) 819-5950.

Sincerely,

  
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