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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Luke M. Self, Vice President
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SUBJECT: VALLECITOS NUCLEAR CENTER HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES
AMENDMENT – ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW (L-2024-LLA-0137)

Dear Luke M. Self:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has reviewed your application dated September 26, 2024 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML24270A224), as supplemented March 7, 2025 (ADAMS Accession No. ML25066A162) for Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) review of major decommissioning activities, as defined in 10 CFR 50.2, that could diminish the historic integrity (e.g., physical demolition) of select Vallecitos Nuclear Center (VNC) structures deemed potentially eligible for placement on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Specifically, physical demolition of the Vallecitos Boiling Water Reactor and General Electric Test Reactor, which are deemed potentially eligible for the NRHP could result in an environmental impact not bounded by the conclusions in the Decommissioning Generic Environmental Impact Statement with regard to cultural, historic, and archaeological resources if appropriate mitigation is not developed in consultation with the State Historic Preservation Office.

We have completed our acceptance review of your submittal and have identified no administrative omissions or deficiencies that would prevent us from proceeding with a detailed review. Your submittal has been assigned Enterprise Project Identification Number (EPID) L-2024-LLA-0137. Please reference this EPID number and Docket Nos. 50-18 and 50-70 in any future correspondence associated with this request.

Please note that the NRC staff's technical review of your submittal may identify issues that require additional information. Based on our preliminary evaluation and projection of current review schedules, we anticipate completing our formal review by December 31, 2025. This date could change depending on the findings of our technical review, urgent assignments, or other factors. We will promptly communicate any significant changes to this schedule. In addition, the NRC staff estimates that completing the review of your submittal will require approximately 600 staff hours.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 2, "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me by telephone at (301) 415-6877 or via e-mail at william.allen@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,



Signed by Allen, William
on 03/11/25

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