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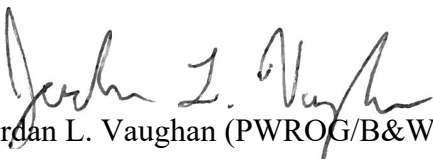
SUBJECT: Withdrawal of the Request for a Workshop to Discuss the Interaction of
Natural Phenomena Protection Design Features and Operability


On July 8, 2022, the TSTF submitted a letter to the NRC requesting a workshop to discuss the interaction between natural phenomena protection design features and operability (ADAMS Accession No. ML22189A144). The publication of NEI 18-03, "Operability Determination," and a revision of the NRC's Inspection Manual Chapter (IMC)-0326 of the same title, had led the industry to consider the relationship between natural phenomena protection design features and TS operability. The letter included an enclosure that described our research and conclusions. The TSTF and NRC held an initial discussion on October 20, 2022, and on July 6, 2023, the TSTF provided a revised paper that addressed NRC comments (ADAMS Accession No. ML24183A244).


Unfortunately, funding priorities have led the TSTF to eliminate the budget for this topic and we will be unable to interact on this issue in the foreseeable future.

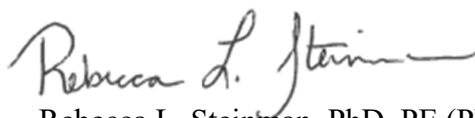
Therefore, we request that the NRC hold work on this issue until the TSTF is funded to pursue this topic and can interact with the staff. We will inform you when the budget for this project has been restored.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.


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