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SUBJECT: NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 2 - ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT RE: ALTERNATIVE ISOLATION METHOD FOR A PRIMARY CONTAINMENT BYPASS LEAKAGE PATH OR PURGE SYSTEM PIPE (TAC NO. MA7048)

Dear Mr. Mueller:

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A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly Federal Register Notice.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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 Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-410

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