

From: Burkhardt, Janet
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 6:45 AM
To: Lent, Susan
Subject: FW: Acceptance of Diablo Canyon Request for Approval of an Alternative to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Section XI Examination Requirements for Class 1 and 2 Piping Welds.

TAC #'s are ME7854, ME7855 – I've entered a database entry under 4010 for you use when adding to ADAMS.

From: Sebrosky, Joseph
Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2012 6:34 AM
To: Baldwin, Thomas (DCPP); Soenen, Philippe R
Cc: Wang, Alan; Lent, Susan; Burkhardt, Janet
Subject: Acceptance of Diablo Canyon Request for Approval of an Alternative to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Section XI Examination Requirements for Class 1 and 2 Piping Welds.

Tom and Philippe,

By letter dated January 20, 2012 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML12025A084), Pacific Gas and Electric Company, (PG&E, the licensee) submitted a request in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a(a)(3)(i) to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to use a risk-informed inservice inspection program for Class 1 and 2 pipe welds for the third inspection interval for the Diablo Canyon Power Plant Units 1 and 2.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the staff to proceed with its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. If additional information is needed for the staff to complete its technical review, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-1132.

Sincerely,

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