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October 1, 2009

Mr. Charles G. Pardee
President and Chief Nuclear Officer
Exelon Nuclear
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SUBJECT: PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION, UNIT NOS. 2 AND 3:
ACCEPTANCE OF REQUESTED LICENSING ACTION TO RELOCATE
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION SURVEILLANCE FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS
(TAC NOS. ME2184 AND ME2185)

Dear Mr. Pardee:

By letter to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) dated August 31, 2009 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML092470153), Exelon Generation Company, LLC, (Exelon) submitted a license amendment request (LAR) for Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station (PBAPS), Units 2 and 3. The LAR seeks to revise the PBAPS Units 2 and 3 Technical Specifications (TSs) to relocate specific surveillance frequency requirements to a licensee-controlled program. This change would also add a new program, the *Surveillance Frequency Control Program*, to Section 5 of the TSs, "Administrative Controls." The LAR states that this proposed change is consistent with approved Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) Traveler 425, Revision 3, "Relocate Surveillance Frequencies to Licensee Control – Risk-Informed Technical Specification Task Force Initiative 5b." The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of the LAR. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review.

Consistent with Section 50.90 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), an amendment to the license (including the technical specifications) must fully describe the changes requested, and following as far as applicable, the form prescribed for original applications. Section 50.34 of 10 CFR addresses the content of technical information required. This section stipulates that the submittal address the design and operating characteristics, unusual or novel design features, and principal safety considerations.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's

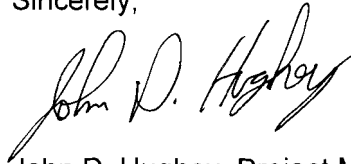
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ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact John Hughey at (301) 415-3204.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John D. Hughey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "H".

John D. Hughey, Project Manager
Plant Licensing Branch I-2
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