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SUBJECT: DRESDEN AND QUAD CITIES - EXTENDED POWER UPRATE -
ENVIRONMENTAL REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (TAC NOS.
MB0844, MB0845, MB0842 AND MB0843)

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Should your staff have any questions about this RAI, please contact me at (301) 415-2863.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-237, 50-249, 50-254 and 50-265

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DRESDEN AND QUAD CITIES EXTENDED POWER UPRATE

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - ENVIRONMENTAL

Location in Application

Staff Question

Dresden Nuclear Power
Station questions:

Page 14	What was the increase in aquatic species richness due to in the 1970's and 1980's?
Page 14	Please address threatened or endangered aquatic plant species; the application only discussed fish species.
	Based on your experience constructing the existing cooling tower cells, will there be any impacts from construction of the proposed additional cooling tower cells (i.e., noise, blasting, increase in truck traffic)? Where would the proposed additional cooling tower cells be constructed in relation to the nearest residence?

Quad Cities Nuclear Power
Station question:

Page 11	Describe your interactions with the State about the change in monitoring curve. When do you anticipate approval by the State?
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