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The staff is reviewing the information provided by NEI and CP&L. At this time, the staff does not intend to hold a meeting with the affected licensees.

Sincerely,

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