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MEMORANDUM TO: File

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SUBJECT: CONFERENCE CALL WITH NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE ON
DEMONSTRATION PROJECT TO REVIEW INSPECTION
VERIFICATION ITEMS

On August 8, 2001, the staff held a conference call with representatives of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) to discuss the industry's understanding of the inspection verification items for the license renewal demonstration project. Alan Nelson of NEI, Liz Thomson, Joe Gasper, Jim Knorr, John Rycyna, the industry members of the NEI License Renewal Task Force, and P. T. Kuo, Sam Lee and I from the staff, participated in the telephone call.

By letter dated May 24, 2001, NEI submitted sample sections to demonstrate the use of the Generic Aging Lessons Learned (GALL) report in preparing a license renewal application. The NRC staff is reviewing the information contained in these sample sections. By letter dated August 2, 2001, the staff provided NEI a list of items from the demonstration sections which should be verified by inspection. The staff requested NEI to arrange to bring the necessary supporting documents which should contain information to respond to the list of sample inspection verification items to a public meeting at the NRC Headquarters on September 5, 2001. The exercise of the inspection verification activity as part of the demonstration project should provide the staff with an understanding of the supporting documentation that is normally maintained on site.

At the conference call, NEI indicated that the industry would bring the supporting documentation as requested in the August 2, 2001, letter. However, NEI indicated that the inspection verification item 3.4.1 for Plant Y would be covered in item 3.4.2 for Plant X, and item 3.5.3 for Plant Y would be covered in item 3.5.2 for Plant X, because they address the same aging management programs in the demonstration project. In addition, NEI indicated that the supporting information for Plant X items 3.6.1 and 3.6.2 was being developed and would not be available for NRC verification at the September 5, 2001, public meeting.

The staff considered NEI's notes from the conference call in preparing this summary.

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