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QUALITY ASSURANCE MEASURES (TAC NO. MC1122)

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If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, you may contact me at (301) 415-1180 or nvg@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Request for Additional Information (RAI)
Exelon Early Site Permit (ESP) Application for the Clinton ESP Site

RAI 17.1.1-1. Quality Assurance Measures Applied to ESP Activities

In order to ensure the integrity and reliability of site data obtained in support of design or operation of future systems, structures or components important to safety, the staff will review quality assurance (QA) measures applied to the development of information supporting the ESP application. The applicant is expected to implement QA measures equivalent in substance to the measures described in Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50. Section 17.1.1, "Early Site Permit Quality Assurance Controls," of Review Standard RS-002, "Processing Applications for Early Site Permits," describes the methodology employed by the staff to review and evaluate the description of QA measures applied by the applicant to ESP activities. Consistent with the staff position described above, please describe the QA measures applied to Exelon's ESP activities. Your description should be of sufficient detail to support staff review of your QA measures in accordance with Section 17.1.1 of RS-002 and should contain the following information:

1. A description of Exelon's implemented QA measures applied to site characterization data collection and analysis.
2. Copies of Exelon's procedures used to implement QA measures. These should include procedures/instructions referenced by the Exelon QA program document and procedures used by Exelon for supplier qualification.
3. A description and schedule (or dates, for items previously performed) of significant site activities, evaluations, analyses, and milestones supporting the ESP application.
4. If published data sources will be used to collect site data, rather than the performance of measurements, include a description of these data sources (e.g., meteorological, seismic, etc), and include a description of QA measures used to validate and control data obtained from existing sites or published sources.
5. Identification of contractors used for performing ESP-related activities and for what purpose, and description of quality controls applied to contractor activities and procedures for implementing those controls. Documentation should include copies of purchase orders, description of work scope and quality requirements, QA evaluations, and supplier audits.
6. Training lesson plans developed for Exelon's staff related to ESP activities and associated training records, and similar records for contractors.
7. Records of audits and self-assessments associated with site characterization and ESP application development.
8. Copies of completed test/data collection procedures for site characterization testing/studies.

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