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Please notify the NRC, via letter, six months in advance of ABR plans for becoming inactive or disbanding, as well as of changes to certification procedures that would affect the recognition of ABR's certification processes under the requirements of 10 CFR 35.290 or 35.392.

For further information or for questions, please contact Ms. Cindy Flannery of my staff at (301) 415-0223 or via e-mail at [cmf@nrc.gov](mailto:cmf@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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