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**Schedule for Submittal of Application for Design Certification for the U.S. EPR**

- Ref.: 1. Letter, Jerald S. Holm (Framatome ANP) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Pre-Application Review of the EPR," NRC:05:008, February 8, 2005.
- Ref.: 2. Letter, Ronnie L. Gardner (AREVA NP) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Proposed Plan for Phase 2 of the Pre-Application Review of the U.S. EPR," NRC:06:004, February 3, 2006.

In February of 2005, AREVA NP Inc. (AREVA NP), formerly Framatome ANP, requested that the NRC begin the pre-application review of the U.S. EPR reactor design and notified the NRC of the intent to submit an application for Design Certification at the end of 2007 (Reference 1). Since that time, AREVA NP reiterated its intention to submit an application for Design Certification for the U.S. EPR at the end of 2007 by letter dated February 3, 2006 (Reference 2). The purpose of the present letter is to confirm our intent to submit an application for Design Certification of the U.S. EPR and further refine the timing of the submittal. AREVA NP intends to submit the application on or before December 14, 2007.

AREVA NP looks forward to continued interactions with the NRC to ensure an efficient and successful acceptance review of the application. Ms. Sandra M. Sloan, Regulatory Affairs Manager for New Plants Deployment, remains the point of contact with the NRC for the U.S. EPR design certification review. She may be reached by telephone at 434-832-2369 or by e-mail at [sandra.sloan@areva.com](mailto:sandra.sloan@areva.com).

Sincerely,

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