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November 14, 2011

MEMORANDUM TO: R. W. Borchardt
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Edwin M. Hackett, Executive Director /RA/
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards

SUBJECT: TOPICAL REPORT NEDC-33173P-A, SUPPLEMENT 2, PARTS
1, 2, AND 3, "ANALYSIS OF GAMMA SCAN DATA AND
REMOVAL OF SAFETY LIMIT MINIMUM CRITICAL POWER
RATIO (SLMCPR) MARGIN"

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