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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2
Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-70 and DPR-75
NRC Docket Nos. 50-272 and 50-311

Hope Creek Generating Station
Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-57
NRC Docket No. 50-354

Subject: **PSEG Nuclear LLC's Response to NRC Request for Information Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding the Seismic Aspects of Recommendation 2.1 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident**

Reference: (1) NRC Letter, Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident, dated March 12, 2012

On March 12, 2012, the NRC issued Reference 1 to all power reactor licensees and holders of construction permits in active or deferred status. Enclosure 1 of Reference 1 contains specific Requested Actions, Requested Information, and Required Responses associated with Recommendation 2.1, Seismic Evaluations. Reference 1 requires that, if an addressee cannot meet the requested response date, it must provide a response to the NRC within 90 days of the date of the information request describing the licensee's proposed alternative course of action, the basis for the acceptability of the proposed alternative course of action, and the estimated completion dates.

PSEG Nuclear LLC (PSEG) cannot determine if it can meet the requested response dates for submitting the Seismic Hazard Evaluation and the Seismic Risk Evaluation (items 1 through 9 of Reference 1) until the Screening, Prioritization and Implementation Details (SPID) guidance is endorsed by the NRC.

Within 60 days of NRC endorsement of the SPID guidance, PSEG will submit: (1) its intention to follow the endorsed guidance, or (2) an alternative approach. At that time, PSEG will assess

whether it can meet the submittal deadlines for the Seismic Hazard Evaluation and Seismic Risk Evaluation and take the appropriate regulatory action.

This letter contains no regulatory commitments.

Should you have any questions concerning the content of this letter, please contact Ms. Emily Maguire at 856-339-1023.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 6/7/12
(Date)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

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