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NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC's Response to NRC Request for Information Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1 and 2.3 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-Ichi Accident

- References:
- (1) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "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 (ML12053A340)
 - (2) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Prioritization of Response Due Dates for Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Flooding Hazard Reevaluations for Recommendation 2.1 of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-Ichi Accident," dated May 11, 2012 (ML12097A510)
 - (3) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission letter to Nuclear Energy Institute, dated May 31, 2012, Endorsement of Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 12-07, "Guidelines for Performing Verification Walkdowns of Plant Flood Protection Features" (ML12144A142)

Via Reference (1), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued a request for information pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(f). Enclosures 2 and 4 of Reference (1) contain specific Requested Actions, Requested Information, and Required Responses associated with Recommendations 2.1 and 2.3 for Flooding Hazard Evaluations and Walkdowns. This letter provides the NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC (NextEra) response to Reference (1) for Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP).

As stated below, NextEra currently intends to meet all of the specified response dates, however, due to numerous uncertainties concerning the scope of the required tasks, the availability of qualified vendor support, training, scheduling, and other unforeseen circumstances, we reserve the right to request an extension to any of these dates at a later time, if necessary.

Recommendation 2.1: Flooding Hazard Evaluation

The response date for PBNP's Flooding Hazard Evaluation was identified in Reference (2) as March 12, 2015, corresponding to three years from the date for Reference(1). NextEra plans to comply with the requested response date. NextEra plans to meet the requested date for the other required responses in Enclosure 2 of Reference (1). Specifically, an approach for developing an Integrated Assessment for PBNP will be submitted 60 days after the NRC endorses Integrated Assessment Guidance. In addition, an Integrated Assessment report for PBNP, if necessary, will be submitted two years after the Flooding Hazard Evaluation is submitted.

Recommendation 2.3: Flood Protection Walkdowns

Enclosure 4 of Reference (1) states that each licensee is to confirm that it will use the industry developed, NRC-endorsed, flooding walkdown procedures, or provide a description of the plant-specific walkdown procedures it will use.

NextEra confirms that it will use flooding walkdown procedure NEI 12-07, *Guidelines for Performing Verification Walkdowns of Plant Flood Protection Features*, endorsed by Reference (3) as the basis for the flooding walkdowns at PBNP.

NextEra plans to comply with the response timeline in Enclosure 4 of Reference (1). Specifically, NextEra will submit a report documenting the results of its design basis flooding walkdowns at PBNP by November 27, 2012, which corresponds to 180 days after NRC endorsement of the generic flood protection walkdown guidance.

This letter contains no new Regulatory Commitments and no revisions to existing Regulatory Commitments.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. James Costedio, Licensing Manager, at 920/755-7427.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on June 8, 2012.

Very truly yours,

NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC



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