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**Revised Schedules for the Modified Closure Plan for "U.S. EPR Fuel Assembly Design Topical Report," ANP-10285P**

Ref. 1: Letter, Pedro Salas (AREVA NP Inc.) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Modified Closure Plan for 'U.S. EPR Fuel Assembly Design Topical Report,' ANP-10285P," (TAC No. RN1224)," NRC:12:016, March 30, 2012.

Ref. 2: Letter, Getachew Tesfaye (NRC) to Sandra Sloan (AREVA NP Inc.), "Seventh Request for Additional Information Regarding ANP-10285P, 'Fuel Assembly Mechanical Design Topical Report' (TAC No. RN1224)," May 17, 2011.

Ref. 3: Letter, A. W. Robinson (AREVA NP Inc.) to Document Control Desk (NRC), "Revised U.S. EPR Design Certification Schedule for Response to Open Items," NRC:12:024, May 10, 2012.

AREVA NP Inc. (AREVA NP) provided a modified closure plan in Reference 1 to address the NRC questions in Reference 2. The schedule for the activities in the modified closure plan (Table A-2 in the enclosure of Reference 1) is also reflected in the Reference 3 letter (Attachment 1 on page A-3).

AREVA NP met with the NRC on May 2, 2012 to discuss the modified closure plan. The schedule for the activities in the modified closure plan is being revised based on NRC comments made during the May 2, 2012 meeting. A revised Table A-2 is enclosed with this letter which changes the near-term dates in the schedule. The final date for responding to the NRC questions in Reference 2 is unchanged from that in References 1 and 3.

If you have any questions related to this information, please contact Darrell Gardner by telephone at (704) 805-2355 or by e-mail at [darrell.gardner@areva.com](mailto:darrell.gardner@areva.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pedro Salas'.

Pedro Salas, Director  
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Enclosure: Table A-2: Revised Submittal Dates for Group 7 RAI Responses and Related Information

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**Table A-2: Revised Submittal Dates for Group 7 RAI Responses and Related Information**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Subject</b>
August 31, 2012	RAIs 64, 65 & 66	Submit INTERIM Response
August 31, 2012	RAIs 68 & 70	Submit DRAFT Responses
Week of September 10, 2012	Audit	RAI 64, 65, 66, 68 and 70, Preliminary grid load results
February 28, 2013	Technical Report on U.S. EPR Fuel Seismic Methodology and Application	Submit INTERIM Technical Report
Week of March 11, 2013	Audit	Interim Technical Report
May 31, 2013	RAIs 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70 & 71	Submit FINAL RAIs
May 31, 2013	Technical Report on U.S. EPR Fuel Seismic Methodology and Application	Submit FINAL Technical Report
May 31, 2013	Letter Transmitting Updates to ANP-10285P and FSAR	FINAL Updates to ANP-10285P and U.S. EPR FSAR

Revised Schedule