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**SUBJECT: SCHEDULE REVISION FOR THE REVIEW OF THE SEABROOK STATION
NUCLEAR PLANT LICENSE, RENEWAL APPLICATION (TAC NO. ME4028)**

Dear Mr. Curtland:

By letter dated May 25, 2010, NextEra Energy Seabrook, LLC submitted an application pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 51 and 10 CFR Part 54, to renew the Operating License No. NPF-86 for Seabrook Station, Unit 1 (Seabrook), for review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). This letter is to inform you of a change in the schedule for the Seabrook license renewal review.

Regarding the staff's safety review, by letter dated May 31, 2012, the staff issued a letter revising the environmental and safety review schedules. The safety review schedule was modified with "TBD" (To Be Determined) as the milestone dates for issuing a final Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and convening the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) full committee meeting, due to the uncertainty in the amount of time required to fully resolve the alkali-silica reaction (ASR) open item. By letter dated December 16, 2013, the staff issued a letter again revising the environmental and safety review schedules. This revision established a milestone for a second ACRS sub-committee meeting to discuss resolution of the ASR open item, also with "TBD" as its milestone date.

In the interests of greater transparency and planning, achievable milestone dates have been set for the second ACRS sub-committee meeting, SER publication and ACRS full committee meetings. These dates assume timely and adequate responses to staff RAIs and the staff's determination that the proposed activities to manage the effects of aging due to ASR, as well as all other open items, comply with 10 CFR Part 54.

Regarding the staff's environmental review, by letter dated July 2, 2014, the staff issued a letter revising the environmental review schedule. This revision established an October 2014 issuance date for the final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS). In finalizing the final SEIS, the staff has been reviewing all of the comments submitted on the draft SEIS issued in 2011 and has determined that more time is needed to ensure complete and up-to-date responses are provided. The new issuance date for the final SEIS is February 2015.

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Enclosed is the NRC staff's revised review schedule for the Seabrook license renewal application. If you have any questions related to this revised safety schedule, please contact Jeffrey Mitchell at 301-415-3019 or by e-mail at Jeffrey.Mitchell2@nrc.gov. If you have any questions related to the revised environmental schedule, please contact Lois James at 301-415-3306 or by e-mail at Lois.James@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

John W. Lubinski, Director
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-443

Enclosure: Revised Schedule

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SEABROOK STATION NUCLEAR PLANT LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION
SCHEDULE REVISION

Milestone	Schedule	Actual
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	6/01/10	6/01/10
Publish Federal Register notice (FRN) – LRA availability	6/14/10	6/16/10
Publish FRN – acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	7/23/10	7/21/10
Publish FRN – intent to conduct environmental scoping	7/23/10	7/10/10
Public Meeting – License Renewal Overview and Environmental Scoping Meeting	8/19/10	8/19/10
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	9/20/10	10/20/10
Environmental scoping period ends	9/21/10	9/21/10
Audit – environmental	10/04/10	10/05/10
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	8/2011	8/01/11
Publish FRN – draft SEIS available for comments	8/2011	8/12/11
Public Meeting – draft SEIS meeting	9/2011	9/15/11
End of draft SEIS comment period	11/2011	10/26/11
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items	6/2012	6/08/12
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) Subcommittee Meeting	7/2012	7/10/12
Issue draft supplement to the Seabrook Station (Seabrook) draft SEIS	4/2013	4/2013
Publish FRN – draft supplement to the Seabrook draft SEIS available for comments.	4/2013	4/2013
End of comment period on the draft supplement to the Seabrook draft SEIS	6/2013	6/2013
Issue final SEIS	2/2015	
Proposed Second ACRS Subcommittee Meeting	6/2015	
Issue Final SER	11/2015	
ACRS Full Committee Meeting	1/2016	
Decision – Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation	3/2016	

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Letter to D. Curtland from J. Lubinski dated September 11, 2014

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