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**SUBJECT:    RESPONSE TO ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT CONSERVATION  
              RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSE RENEWAL OF THE LIMERICK  
              GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2**

Dear Mr. Chiarella:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has reviewed your essential fish habitat (EFH) conservation recommendation in the email dated August 13, 2014 (NMFS 2014). Your recommendation responded to the NRC's EFH Assessment for the proposed license renewal of Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2 (Limerick). The purpose of this letter is to respond to your EFH conservation recommendation.

**NMFS Conservation Recommendation #1**

Avoid in-water maintenance work from March 1 to June 30 of each year to minimize adverse effects on migrating and spawning activities of anadromous fish.

**NRC Response to Conservation Recommendation #1**

The NRC staff will forward this conservation recommendation to Exelon Generation Company, LLC, the owner and operator of Limerick.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Michelle Moser, Aquatic Biologist, by phone at 301-415-6509 or by e-mail at [Michelle.Moser@nrc.gov](mailto:Michelle.Moser@nrc.gov) or Ms. Leslie Perkins, Environmental Project Manager, by phone at 301-415-2375 or by e-mail at [Leslie.Perkins@nrc.gov](mailto:Leslie.Perkins@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-352 and 50-353

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References:

[NMFS] National Marine Fisheries Service. 2014. E-mail from M. Magliocca, NMFS, to M. Moser, NRC. Federal Interagency Meeting Comment Form. August 13, 2014. ADAMS No. ML14227A713.

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