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SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INSPECTION OF THE
WESTINGHOUSE COLUMBIA FUEL FABRICATION FACILITY PER
CHANGES MADE IN CALENDAR YEAR 2014 (DOCKET NUMBER
70-1151)

On April 10, 2015, the Fuel Manufacturing Branch completed a review of the facility changes made to the Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility in Hopkins, South Carolina, during calendar year 2014, as documented in Reference 1. As a result of our review, we developed recommendations for the Region II staff to consider as part of routine inspections. The changes documented in the January 23, 2015, submittal met the requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 70.72, in that prior approval from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) was unnecessary.

Enclosure 1 is a summary of the January 23, 2015, submittal. Enclosure 2 is items of Reference 1, identified by my staff, that Region II staff may want to consider inspecting. The recommendations do not imply any imminent safety concerns; instead, the recommendations are made to give assurance, in addition to that given by the licensee in following established procedures, that the changes were implemented correctly.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 301-415-8729, or via e-mail to Christopher.Ryder@nrc.gov.

References

1. Letter from N. Parr, Westinghouse Electric Company, LLC, "Westinghouse 10 CFR 70.72 Facility Change Report", January 23, 2015. ADAMS accession number ML15026A026.

Enclosures:

1. Summary of Facility Changes During 2014
2. Inspection Recommendations: Changes Made at the Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility During 2014

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