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Mr. Barry C. Westreich
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Washington, DC 20555-0001

Subject: Endorsement of NEI 13-10, *Cyber Security Control Assessments*, Revision 3, Dated September 2015

Project Number: 689

Dear Mr. Westreich:

By letter dated December 9, 2014, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)¹ submitted, on behalf of the nuclear energy industry, NEI 13-10, *Cyber Security Control Assessments*, Revision 2, dated December 2014, for U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) review and endorsement (NRC Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML14351A287). Subsequently, by letter dated December 24, 2014, the NRC informed NEI that NEI 13-10, Revision 2, is acceptable for use by licensees (ADAMS Accession No. ML14350B288).

Building on the guidance incorporated into Revision 2, additional class descriptions and corresponding cyber security control assessment tables have been developed and incorporated into the attached NEI 13-10, Revision 3. The new guidance is incorporated into Appendix D. Minor changes were made to the body of the document to address an omission identified in your December 24 letter and to make it clear that the assessments provided in Appendix D do not cover all of the cyber security controls referenced in cyber security plans. Finally, enhancements to the document were made to reflect lessons learned from early use of the document. The revised document is designated NEI 13-10, *Cyber Security Control Assessments*, Revision 3, dated September 2015.

¹ The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) is the organization responsible for establishing unified industry policy on matters affecting the nuclear energy industry, including the regulatory aspects of generic operational and technical issues. NEI's members include all entities licensed to operate commercial nuclear power plants in the United States, nuclear plant designers, major architect/engineering firms, fuel cycle facilities, nuclear materials licensees, and other organizations and entities involved in the nuclear energy industry.

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NEI requests that the NRC review and endorse the attached copy of NEI 13-10, Revision 3, dated September 2015, by September 30, 2015. If any revisions to this document are desired, please include suggested wording and the technical data to support the proposed change.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact William Gross (202-739-8123; wrg@nei.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Earls", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Attachment

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