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April 14, 2016

Mr. John Elnitsky
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**SUBJECT: SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT NO. 1 AND
H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT, UNIT 2 – WITHDRAWAL
OF REQUESTED LICENSING ACTION REGARDING DUKE ENERGY
PROGRESS, INC., APPLICATION TO REVISE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS
TO ADOPT METHODOLOGY REPORTS SUBMITTED TO NRC FOR
ACCEPTANCE REVIEW (CAC NOS. MF7337 AND MF7338)**

Dear Mr. Elnitsky:

By letter dated February 3, 2016 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML16034A610), Duke Energy Progress, Inc. (Duke Energy) requested amendments to the technical specifications (TSs) of Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-63 for the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1 (Harris), and Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-23 for the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 2 (Robinson). Duke Energy requested the review and approval of DPC-NF-2010, Revision 3, "Nuclear Physics Methodology for Reload Design," and DPC-NE-2011-P, Revision 2, "Nuclear Design Methodology Report for Core Operating Limits of Westinghouse Reactors" and adoption of these two methodologies into the TSs for Harris and Robinson. The methodologies would have been used to support calculations as part of reload design analysis for Harris and Robinson. Approval of the methodologies specific to Harris and Robinson would have allowed Duke Energy to perform the analysis for each plant.

An acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review identified that your application incorporates by reference information in a license amendment request submitted August 19, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML15236A044), which is currently undergoing NRC staff review. Per Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Instruction LIC-109, Revision 1, dated July 16, 2009 (ADAMS Accession No. ML091810088), incorporation by reference of an unapproved report meets two criteria for nonacceptance in Section 3.1.1: (1) Use of Approved Guidance and (2) Linked RLAs [requested licensing actions].

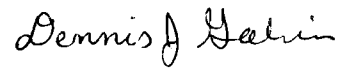
By letter dated April 7, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16098A317), you requested to withdraw the application from NRC review. The NRC acknowledges your request to withdraw the application. NRC staff activities on the review have ceased and the associated Cost Activity Code numbers MF7337 and MF7338 have been closed.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-6256 or Dennis.Galvin@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis J. Galvin".

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