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COMPANY'S TOPICAL REPORT WCAP-17938, REVISION 1, "AP1000
IN-CONTAINMENT CABLES AND NON-METALLIC INSULATION DEBRIS
INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT" (PROJECT NO. 0811)

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If you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager, Donald Habib, at (301) 415-1035 or Donald.Habib@NRC.gov.

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