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Subject: Anchor Darling Double Disc Gate Valve Industry Resolution Plan Update

Project Number: 689

References:
(1) Letter, G. Krueger (NEI) to J. Lubinski (NRC) Anchor Darling Double Disc Gate Valve Industry Resolution Plan, dated July 14, 2017
(2) Letter, B. Holian (NRC) to G. Krueger (NEI), Response from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Regarding the Anchor Darling Double Disc Gate Valve Industry Resolution Plan, dated July 31, 2017

Dear Mr. Lubinski:

On behalf of the nuclear energy industry, the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) is pleased to provide, for your information, an update to the industry’s near-term plan for addressing the Anchor Darling Double Disc Gate Valve (DDGV) issue. This plan update is intended to provide a status of the actions provided in our July 14, 2017 (Reference (1) above) and respond to the information requests listed in your July 31, 2017 letter (Reference (2) above).

The attached updated plan provides the industry actions to address recent Anchor Darling DDGV operational experience (OE), the revised Part 21, the development of additional technical guidance, and the industry strategy for utility action and response. The focus of this update is to provide the industry strategy (near and long term) for those sites with susceptible valves, with near term actions focused on those valves that are of high significance.

NEI continues to coordinate with industry organizations to assure effective communications and completion of recommended actions to remain aligned with the attached plan. We will also continue our interactions with the Staff to provide updates on the status of industry progress and address any identified concerns or information needs. We consider this a living plan with future augmentation expected when necessary to reflect new information, updated issue resolution methods, and interaction results with the NRC.
If you have any questions or would like to discuss aspects of this industry plan, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Attachment 1 – Anchor Darling Valve Industry Resolution Plan – August 4 Update