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Subject: Accepted for Review - Request of Alternative, 18-ISI-1 ASME Section XI, Inservice Inspection Program (EPID No. L-2019-LLR-0006)

By letter dated January 30, 2019 (ADAMS No. ML19031C848), the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA or the licensee) requested U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval of a Request for Alternative to American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code Section XI, Inservice Inspection Program, for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant (SQN), Units 1 and 2 (18-ISI-1).

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of this amendment request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. If additional information is needed, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

Based on the information provided in your submittal, the NRC staff has estimated that this licensing amendment request will take approximately 130 hours to complete. The NRC staff expects to complete this by January, 2020 requested by you. If there are emergent complexities or challenges in our review that would cause changes to the initial forecasted completion date or significant changes in the forecasted hours, the reasons for the changes, along with the new estimates, will be communicated during the routine interactions with the assigned project manager.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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