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August 26, 2019

Mr. Frederick Brown  
Director, Office of New Reactors  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

**Subject:** Request for NRC Endorsement of NEI 18-04, Rev. 1

**Project Number: 689**

Dear Mr. Brown:

The purpose of this letter is to request that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) review for endorsement the proposed final version of NEI 18-04, Revision 1, "Risk-Informed Performance-Based Technology Inclusive Guidance for Non-Light Water Reactor Licensing Basis Development."

NEI and the nuclear industry view the development of NEI 18-04 and NRC endorsement via regulatory guide as an essential step to creating a streamlined and predictable licensing pathway to deployment for advanced reactors. Significant time and resources have been devoted to this effort by both the industry and the NRC. NEI urges the NRC to expeditiously move forward with the issuance of the final regulatory guidance that endorses the use of NEI 18-04. This action will help to provide increased regulatory certainty associated with the licensing of advanced reactor technologies.

If there are any questions on this matter, please contact me ([mdt@nei.org](mailto:mdt@nei.org); 202-471-0277) or Kati Austgen ([kra@nei.org](mailto:kra@nei.org); 202-739-8068).

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