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Subject: Indian Point Unit No. 3 - Acceptance Review Determination: Relief Request IP3-IST-RR-001 for Extension of 4th 10-year Inservice Test Interval (EPID: L-2019-LLR-0094)
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Mahvash,

By letter dated September 24, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. [ML19267A380](#)), Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy) submitted a relief request for Indian Point Generating Unit No. 3 requesting an extension of the current inservice test (IST) interval (fourth 10-year interval) by approximately nine months (i.e., through April 30, 2021) on the basis that implementing the new requirements for a fifth ten-year interval will present an undue hardship, without a compensating increase in the level of quality and safety.

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide the results of the NRC staff's acceptance review of this relief 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 for this licensing action. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the request has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in the characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed Entergy's relief request and concluded that it provides 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 request in terms of 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. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

Based on the information provided in your application, the NRC staff has estimated that the review of the relief request will take approximately 100 hours to complete. The NRC staff expects to complete this review by July 2020 (i.e., approximately 9 months). If there are emergent complexities or challenges in our review that would cause changes to the initial forecasted completion date (greater than a month) or significant changes in the forecasted hours (greater than 25%), the reasons for the changes, along with the new estimates, will be communicated during the routine interactions with the assigned project manager. These estimates are based on the NRC staff's initial review of the application and they could change, due to several factors including requests for additional information and unanticipated addition of scope to the review. Additional delay may occur if the submittal is provided to the NRC in advance or in parallel with industry program initiatives or pilot applications.

Please contact me if you have any questions. A copy of this email will be made publicly available in ADAMS.

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