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SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION FOR REVISED QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM - EDWIN I.
HATCH UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. M95754 AND M95755)

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Based on its review of the above submittals, the staff finds that your revised QA program is acceptable as documented in the enclosed Safety Evaluation.

This completes our action regarding the above TACs. Please contact me at (301) 415-1496 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-321 and 50-366

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