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By letter dated December 3, 2019 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML19339G364), the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) submitted "Submittal of MRP-227 Revision 1-A, Final Published Version Electric Power Research Institute Topical Report, entitled 'Materials Reliability Program: Pressurized Water Reactor Internals Inspection and Evaluations Guideline,' for NRC [US Nuclear Regulatory Commission] Acceptance (CAC NO. MF7740)" (ADAMS Accession No. ML19339G348).

The NRC staff provided a draft safety evaluation (SE) to EPRI for comment via email dated May 14, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML201227H669). By letter dated May 22, 2020 (ADAMS Accession No. ML20146A002), EPRI informed the NRC staff that there was no proprietary information in the draft SE and had no comments on its accuracy or clarity.

The NRC staff has found that the supplemental information provided, is acceptable for referencing in licensing applications for nuclear power plants to the extent specified and under the limitations delineated in the submittal and in the enclosed final SE. The final SE defines the basis for our acceptance of the supplemental information. A copy of the final SE is attached to this email.

Our acceptance applies only to material provided in the supplemental information. We do not intend to repeat our review of the acceptable material described in the supplemental information. When the supplemental information appears as a reference in license applications, our review will ensure that the material presented applies to the specific plant involved. License amendment requests that deviate from the supplemental information will be subject to a plant specific review in accordance with applicable review standards.

In accordance with the guidance provided on the NRC website, we request that EPRI publish an accepted version of the MRP-227, Rev 1-A within three months of receipt of this email. The accepted versions shall incorporate the final SE after the title page. Once the -A version of MRP-227, Rev 1-A has been verified by the NRC staff, licensees may then reference the supplemental information.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (301) 415 7297 or joseph.holonich@nrc.gov.

This email and the attached SE have been placed in ADAMS and made public.

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