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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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References: (1) *El Paso Elec. Co.*, Application for Order Approving Indirect Transfer of Control of Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-41, NPF-51, and NPF-74, dated August 13, 2019, [ADAMS Number ML19225D197].

(2) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), *Order Approving Indirect Transfer of Licenses*, Docket NRC-2019-0214, dated March 5, 2020 [ADAMS Number ML20038A206]

Subject: Notice of Closing Date of Wednesday, July 29, 2020

Dear Mr. Nieh,

By application dated August 13, 2019, El Paso Electric Company (EPE) requested, pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Sections 50.80 and 72.50, that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) consent to the indirect transfer of EPE's possession-only non-operating interests in Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-41, NPF-51, and NPF-74 for Palo Verde Units 1, 2, and 3, respectively, and the general license for the Palo Verde ISFSI to IIF US Holding 2 LP.

The NRC issued an Order approving the proposed indirect license transfer on March 5, 2020. The Order, in part, required that "... the applicant shall inform the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in writing of such receipt no later than 2 business days prior to the date of the closing of the indirect transfer." (Order at 4.)

The purpose of this notice is to provide the required notification of the closing date of the transaction, which is currently expected to be as early as Wednesday, July 29, 2020.

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In the event that the NRC has any questions on this response, please contact Jason Kuzma at 425-635-1416.

Sincerely,

EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adrian J. Rodriguez', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

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