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January 31, 2012

Mr. Barry S. Allen, Site Vice President FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station Mail Stop A-DB-3080 5501 North State Route 2 Oak Harbor, OH 43449-9760

SUBJECT: SCHEDULE REVISION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1, LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION (TAC NO. ME4613)

Dear Mr. Allen:

By letter dated August 27, 2010, FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC) submitted an application pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 51 and 10 CFR Part 54, to renew Operating License NPF-003 for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, Unit 1 (Davis-Besse), for review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the staff).

On January 13, 2012, FENOC made the NRC aware of recent errors discovered within the Davis-Besse Environmental Report. The discovered errors are part of the Severe Accident Mitigation Alternative (SAMA) analysis. FENOC also indicated the revised SAMA analysis will be submitted to the NRC no sooner than March 31, 2012. As a result of this information, the NRC will revise the current schedule to indicate the future milestone dates for the environmental review as to be determined (TBD). Upon receipt and review of the SAMA analysis, the NRC will determine the impact to the license renewal environmental review, and in turn the final license renewal decision, and issue a revised schedule letter. Additionally, the NRC will continue to assess the license renewal safety review in conjunction with the environmental review before making a determination as to the impact to the timeline for the final license renewal decision.

Enclosed is the staff's revised environmental review schedule for the Davis-Besse license renewal application (LRA). The NRC will continue to follow established review procedures and the enclosed schedule to complete the reviews required by 10 CFR Parts 54 and 51.

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If you have any questions on the revised schedule, please contact Ms. Paula Cooper, Project Manager for the review of the Davis-Besse LRA environmental review, by telephone at 301-415-2323 or by e-mail at <u>paula.cooper@nrc.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Melonie Q. Lalloway

Melanie A. Galloway, Acting Director Division of License Renewal Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-346

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DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION UPDATED SAFETY REVIEW SCHEDULE

Milestones	Schedule Date	Actual Date
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	08/30/10	08/30/10
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) - LRA receipt and availability	09/17/10	09/20/10
Publish FRN - LRA acceptability and opportunity for hearing	10/20/10	10/25/10
Publish FRN – intent to conduct environmental scoping	10/20/10	10/28/10
Public Meeting - license renewal process and environmental scoping	11/04/10	11/04/10
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	12/24/10	12/24/10
Environmental scoping periods ends	12/27/10	12/27/10
Audit - scoping and screening methodology	01/24/11	01/24/11
Audit - aging management programs (AMPs)	02/14/11	02/14/11
Audit - environmental	03/07/11	03/07/11
Inspection - scoping, screening, and AMPs	04/2011	04/25/11
Environmental Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) - Issued	04/08/11	02/23/11
Environmental RAIs - Responses Received	05/13/11	03/23/11
Safety RAIs - Issued	04/29/11	04/29/11
Safety RAIs - Responses Received	05/30/11	05/30/11
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	TBD	10/2012
Public Meeting - draft SEIS	TBD	11/2012
End of comment period for the draft SEIS	TBD	11/2012
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items(s)	03/09/2012	
ACRS subcommittee meeting on SER with open item(s)	04/10/2012	
Issue final SEIS	TBD	05/2013
Issue SER	10/2012	
ACRS full committee meeting on SER	12/2012	
NRR Decision	TBD	06/2013
Commission Decision (hearing pending)	TBD	

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