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VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY
NORTH ANNA POWER STATION UNITS 1 AND 2
90 DAY RESPONSE TO MARCH 12, 2012 INFORMATION REQUEST
REGARDING RECOMMENDATION 9.3 FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Reference: NRC Letter, "Request for Information Pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 50.54(f) Regarding Recommendations 2.1, 2.3, and 9.3, of the Near-Term Task Force Review of Insights from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Accident," dated March 12, 2012.

On March 12, 2012, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff issued the referenced letter. Enclosure 5 of the letter contains specific Requested Actions and Requested Information associated with Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness (EP) programs. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.54, "Conditions of licenses," paragraph (f), addressees were requested to submit a written response to the information requests. The letter also specified due dates for written responses.

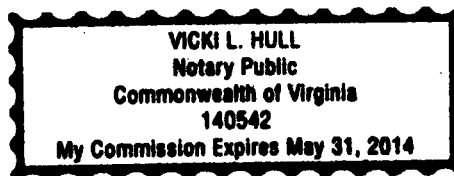
In accordance with the referenced letter, on May 9, 2012, Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) submitted an alternative course of action for providing the requested information. The alternative course of action included revised information due dates and the basis for those dates. As described in the alternative course of action, this letter transmits the responses to the following information requests.

- Enclosure 5, Communications request #2
- Enclosure 5, Staffing request #3
- Enclosure 5, Staffing request #4
- Enclosure 5, Staffing request #5

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Mr. Thomas Shaub at (804) 273-2763.

Sincerely,

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA)
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The foregoing document was acknowledged before me, in and for the County and Commonwealth aforesaid, today by David A. Heacock, who is President and Chief Nuclear Officer of Virginia Electric and Power Company. He has affirmed before me that he is duly authorized to execute and file the foregoing document in behalf of that company, and that the statements in the document are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Acknowledged before me this 11th day of June, 2012.

My Commission Expires: MAY 31, 2014
Vicki L. Hull
Notary Public

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Commitments made in this letter: No new regulatory commitments.

Enclosures:

1. Actions And Requested Information Associated With Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness – Communications
2. Actions And Requested Information Associated With Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness – Staffing

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ENCLOSURE 1

**ACTIONS AND REQUESTED INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH
RECOMMENDATION 9.3 FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

COMMUNICATIONS

**NORTH ANNA POWER STATION UNITS 1 AND 2
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY**

Enclosure 1
Actions and Requested Information Associated with
Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness

Communications

Request #2 – Addressees are requested to describe any interim actions that have been taken or are planned to be taken to enhance existing communications systems power supplies until the communications assessment and the resulting actions are complete.

Actions Taken or Planned

Action	Estimated Completion Date
Purchase/Contract for two (2) portable diesel generators with AC power cables to power temporary lighting and support emergency response and communications functions.	Purchase Order issued 3/29/2012 for delivery between 8/14/2012 and 12/13/2012.
Purchase/Contract for five (5) Iridium Satellite Phones, Model 9575 Extreme Satellite Phone (or equivalent) - Emergency Responder Package with Solar Panel to provide communications capability in the event of unavailability of cellular and land-line phones to Operations and the Emergency Response Organization (ERO).	Purchase Order issued 3/29/2012 for delivery between 8/14/2012 and 12/13/2012.

ENCLOSURE 2

**ACTIONS AND REQUESTED INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH
RECOMMENDATION 9.3 FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

STAFFING

**NORTH ANNA POWER STATION UNITS 1 AND 2
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY**

Enclosure 2
Actions and Requested Information Associated with
Recommendation 9.3 for Emergency Preparedness

Staffing

Request #3 – Identify how the augmented staff would be notified given degraded communications capabilities.

Methods for Notification Under Degraded Communications Capabilities:

Assumptions:

1. On-site communications infrastructure remains available.
2. Offsite infrastructure supporting communications systems are inoperable in a 25 mile radius area surrounding the plant site.
3. Communications infrastructure in locations beyond the 25 mile radius area is not significantly impacted by the event.
4. Communications equipment located at an offsite response facility, and supplied from a backup power source, remains available.

Note: Assumptions are consistent with the EP communications assessment being performed as specified in the 60 day response to the March 12, 2012 Information Request.

Method	Description	Estimated Completion Date
Pre-planned Response	A pre-planned response will be developed and personnel will be appropriately instructed to ensure the ERO response following a defined "major event" is consistent with provided expectations. Pursuant to this process, the ERO will report directly to the station or to predetermined staging areas.	12/31/2012
Satellite Phone Activation	Satellite phone will be used to activate the ERO callout process. Once activated, the system initiates pager notification and automatic phone calls to ERO personnel.	12/31/2012
Local Radio Broadcast	This method is a defense-in-depth adjunct to Pre-planned Response. Local radio station Emergency Alert System (EAS) broadcasts will be used to instruct ERO members in the event of a major event or disaster, when normal means of communication are not available. It will be designed to provide information to enable augmented ERO personnel to respond to the event more effectively. ERO members outside the 25 mile zone, or those within the 25 mile zone with car radios or other battery-powered radios, would be able to receive these broadcasts.	12/31/2012

Request #4 – Identify the methods of access (e.g., roadways, navigable bodies of water and dockage, airlift, etc.) to the site that are expected to be available after a widespread large scale natural event.

Methods for Site Access Following Large Scale Natural Event:

Method	Description	Estimated Completion Date
Roadway	<p>There is one major roadway into the North Anna Power Station: State Route 700 (Haley Drive). State Route 700 intersects State Route 652 (Kentucky Springs Road) approximately one mile from the Owner Controlled Area checkpoint. From this intersection, Route 700 (now Johnson Road) continues southwest and connects to the wider road network eventually leading to a series of major state roads and Interstate 64. Route 652 runs northwest and southeast and crosses over bridges as it connects to the road network.</p> <p>A secondary access road to the North Anna Power Station crosses over Dike 1 and is normally blocked by vehicle barriers which can be removed if the primary route is unavailable. Access via this route onto the public road network requires crossing one or more bridges depending on the route taken.</p> <p>An agreement is in place with the Virginia State Police to permit passage of Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) personnel if roads are closed, but safe passage is possible.</p> <p>The Local Emergency Operations Facility (LEOF) is east-southeast of the Protected Area accessible by a road atop an earthen berm that separates the Discharge Canal from Lake Anna. In the event this vehicle access route was unavailable, vehicle access would be limited to the secondary access road that crosses over Dike 1. Depending upon the nature of the disruption to vehicle-access, ERO members might be able to walk to the LEOF after parking in the station parking area.</p>	Agreement is in place.

Method	Description	Estimated Completion Date
Air	Access to North Anna Power Station can be provided from staging areas via helicopters arranged by Dominion or the Virginia Department of Emergency Management.	Evaluate the need for specific agreements by 12/31/2012.

Request #5 – Identify any interim actions that have been taken or are planned prior to the completion of the staffing assessment.

Interim Actions Taken or Planned:

Action	Estimated Completion Date
Develop procedure for ERO notification under degraded communications capabilities (Request #3 above).	12/31/2012
Develop procedure for implementing control of site access following large scale natural event (Request #4 above).	12/31/2012
Develop and implement training for ERO notification under degraded communications capabilities (Request #3 above).	12/31/2012
Develop and implement training for control of site access following large scale natural event (Request #4 above).	12/31/2012