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Sincerely,

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GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION SCHEDULE

Milestone	Schedule	Actual
Receive license renewal application (LRA)	11/1/2011	11/1/2011
Publish Federal Register Notice (FRN) – LRA availability	11/2011	11/17/2011
Publish FRN – acceptance/rejection and opportunity for hearing	12/2011	12/27/2011
Publish FRN – environmental scoping meeting	12/2011	12/29/2011
Audit – Scoping & Screening Methodology	1/9/2012	1/9/2012
Audit – Aging Management Programs	1/23/2012	1/23/2012
Public meeting – environmental scoping meeting	1/31/2012	1/31/2012
Deadline for filing hearing requests and petitions for intervention	2/2012	2/27/2012
Environmental scoping period ends	2/2012	2/27/2012
Audit – Environmental	3/26/2012	3/27/2012- 3/29/2012
Inspection – Regional	8/2012	8/6/2012
Issue safety evaluation report (SER) with open items	1/2013	1/2013
Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) subcommittee meeting	5/4/2016	
Issue draft supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS)	1/2014	11/30/13
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN published – draft SEIS available for comment	2/2014	12/20/13
Public meeting – draft SEIS meeting	1/29/2014	1/29/2014
End of draft SEIS comment period	2/11/14	2/11/14
Issue final SER	4/2016	
ACRS full committee meeting	10/2016	
Issue final SEIS	11/2014	11/28/14
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency FRN published – availability of final SEIS	12/2014	12/12/2014
Decision – Director, NRR	12/2016	
Commission decision (if hearing is granted)	TBD	

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Letter to K. Mulligan from C. Miller Dated February 3, 2016

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