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**Subject:** Acceptance Review - Request for Approval of Proposed Changes to Reactor Pressure Vessel Surveillance Capsule Withdrawal Schedule-TACs ME7751, ME7752, ME7753

By letter dated December 9, 2011 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML11356A086), , Arizona Public Service Company (APS) requested for approval of proposed changes to the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2, and 3, reactor pressure vessel surveillance capsule withdrawal schedule.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staffs acceptance review of this request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant. Pursuant to Appendix H, Section III.B.3 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), Part 50, withdrawal schedules be submitted, as specified in 10 CFR 50.4 and be approved by the NRC staff prior to implementation.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the staff to proceed with its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed request in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. If additional information is needed for the staff to complete its technical review, you will be advised by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-3016.