



**FEMA**

Mr. Allen Clark  
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Dear Mr. Allen Clark:

On March 2, 2021, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region 9, received the State of Arizona's 2020 Annual Letter of Certification report for the Emergency Planning Zone surrounding Palo Verde Generating Station (PVGS).

The documentation package received from the State and local offsite response organizations and from the utility was reviewed by the Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) program staff. The documentation package received was determined complete and adequate to meet the REP program requirements.

This submittal meets the intent of Part IV, Program Administration, of the Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program Manual, January 2016 edition. The documentation and preparedness activities meet the intent of the periodic requirements stated in the Planning Standards in the *Criteria for Preparation and Evaluation of Radiological Emergency Response Plans and Preparedness in Support of Nuclear Power Plants*, published in NUREG-0654 FEMA-REP-1, Rev.1 and restated in "*Criteria for review and approval of State and local radiological emergency plans and preparedness.*" Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations § 350.5 (2011).

As a result of this review, we have continued reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public remains protected in the event of a radiological emergency at PVGS. We continue to review offsite plans which have undergone significant changes in Arizona. FEMA will provide guidance separately to address the ongoing plan and procedures review.

Please call me directly at (510) 908 2282, or your staff may contact Vince Kalson, Site Specialist for PVGS, at (510) 627-7053 for any questions. Thank you for your efforts in coordinating this submission.

Sincerely,

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