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Dear Dr. Kearns:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the University of Chicago Argonne, LLC (UC-A) at the Department of Energy (DOE) Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) has successfully completed the DOE Earned Value Management System (EVMS) Acceptance Review process. As a result of the independent surveillance review conducted and the corrective actions proposed and taken by UC-A, it has been determined that the EVMS continues to meet the requirements of the Electrical Industries Alliance (EIA)-748.

To verify EVMS compliance, an independent surveillance/EVMS acceptance review was conducted on January 23-25, 2024. The three-day virtual surveillance review was hosted by the Argonne National Laboratory (ANL).

During the review, the surveillance committee identified one Corrective Action Request (CAR) and seven Continuous Improvement Opportunities (CIO/CIO\*). CIO\*s are not strict requirements but would improve the EVMS system and require a corrective action plan.

*Corrective Action Request (CAR)*

CAR-01 Steps within activities listed as percent complete (Guideline 7 [GL-07], GL-08)

*Continuous Improvement Opportunities (CIO\*s\*/CIOs)*

CIO-01 Update timeframe language for Quantifiable Backup Data (GL-07, GL-08)

CIO-02 Justification of high float activities (GL-06)

CIO\*-03 Estimate at Complete/Variance at Complete (EAC/VAC) discussion in the Variance Analysis Reports (VAR; GL-27)

CIO-04 Quality of VAR documentation (GL-23)

CIO-05 Follow through on Corrective Actions (GL-26)

CIO\*-06 Address making retroactive changes to activities (GL-30)

CIO-07 General updates of the Change Control Procedure to capture, clarify, and institutionalize current practices (GL-31)

UC-A provided a Corrective Action Plan dated June 2024 to address the CAR/CIOs/CIO\*s. The actions proposed and undertaken by UC-A in the Corrective Action Plan are acceptable.

OPA urges you to continue to maintain the high level of compliance that your staff demonstrated to the EVMS surveillance committee during the on-site review process to ensure continuing EIA compliance and valid EVMS certification.

Sincerely,

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