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SUBJECT: INSPECTION PLAN - FORT CALHOUN STATION

Dear Mr. Gambhir:

On December 7, 1999, the NRC staff reviewed the performance of Fort Calhoun Station as reflected in the performance indicators and inspection results in order to integrate performance information and to plan for inspection activities at your facility from December 1, 1999, through July 31, 2000. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.

Our review of Fort Calhoun Station identified that you have crossed the green (licensee response band) to white (increased regulatory respond band) threshold for the Emergency Preparedness Drill & Exercise Performance indicator on two occasions, based on monthly reporting. We have conducted additional inspections of your investigation into these events in accordance with the action matrix and we are satisfied with your review and proposed corrective actions. We also noted that when calculated on a quarterly basis, as the performance indicator currently reflects, you would not have transitioned from green to white. Therefore, no additional inspections are planned in the emergency preparedness cornerstone.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Fort Calhoun Station midcycle review. Enclosure 1 details the scheduled inspections that will occur from December 1, 1999, to July 31, 2000. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The last 4 months of the inspection plan are tentative and will be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC Rules of Practice, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).
If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at 817/860-8185 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Enclosures:
1. Fort Calhoun Station Inspection/Activity Plan
2. Plant Issues Matrix

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