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Sincerely,

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John A. Grobe, Director
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SUBJECT: NRC PHYSICAL SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT 50-315/2000012(DRS);
50-316/2000012(DRS)

Dear Mr. Powers:

This refers to the security inspection conducted between February 28 and March 3, 2000, at the D. C. Cook Nuclear Power Station. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC security related requirements.

Overall, security program performance was implemented in accordance with regulatory requirements and no significant program weaknesses were identified. However, deficiencies in search activity and control of personnel access authorization to vital areas were identified. Except as noted in this report, security personnel demonstrated proper implementation of security requirements. Management activities were focused toward maintaining an effective security program. Inspected security equipment functioned as designed.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that two violations of NRC requirements occurred. These violations are being treated as Non-Cited Violations (NCVs), consistent with Appendix C of the Enforcement Policy. These NCVs are described in the subject inspection report. If you contest the violations or severity levels of these NCVs, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-001, with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-001.

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REGION III

Docket Nos: 50-315; 50-316
License Nos: DPR-58; DPR-74

Report No: 50-315/2000012(DRS); 50-316/2000012(DRS)

Licensee: American Electric Power Company

Facility: Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2

Location: 1 Cook Place
Bridgman, MI 49106

Dates: Between February 28 and March 3, 2000

Inspector: Terry J. Madeda, Physical Security Inspector

Approved by: James R. Creed, Safeguards Program Manager

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

D. C. Cook Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2
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This inspection reviewed plant support activities relating to the physical protection of the D. C. Cook facility. Specifically, the inspector reviewed alarm station activities; observed and evaluated operational activities of the protected area detection and assessment aids; control of personnel, package and vehicles; observed vehicle denial barriers; reviewed randomly selected security event logs; and evaluated security officer performance.

- Alarm station operator performance was effective in maintaining appropriate alarm, surveillance and communication activities (Section S1.1).
- The inspector identified a Non-Cited Violation because vital area access had been authorized for 97 badged contractor personnel even though their duties (work-related need) did not require access to specific vital areas. Licensee review determined that the failure resulted from deficient procedure guidance, inadequate training, and a lack of program oversight. Corrective actions were implemented (Section S1.2).
- The inspector identified a Non-Cited Violation in which a security officer failed to recognize and search two easily accessible compartments on a vehicle. Several other officers also indicated they would not or did not search the compartments. Licensee review determined the failure resulted from a lack of attention to detail by several vehicle search personnel. Corrective actions were implemented (Section S1.3).

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