

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

## **REGION IV**

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February 28, 2001

EA-00-208

Garry L. Randolph, Senior Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Union Electric Company P.O. Box 620 Fulton, Missouri 65251

SUBJECT: APPEAL OF FINAL SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION FOR THREE WHITE

FINDINGS, DENIAL OF VIOLATION, AND REVIEW OF BACKFIT ISSUES

(NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-483/00-17, CALLAWAY PLANT)

Dear Mr. Randolph:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge your letters of February 7 and February 15, 2001. As a result of your concerns, the NRC will review your:

- Appeal of the NRC staff's final significance determination of the three White findings of Inspection 50-483/2000-17,
- Denial of the violation of 10 CFR 20.1101(b) identified in Inspection Report 50-483/2000-17,
- Assertion that NRC has imposed a regulatory staff position that is new or different from a
  previously applicable staff position, and
- Assertion that the as low as is reasonably achievable (ALARA) portion of the Occupational Radiation Safety Significance Determination Process creates a new regulatory burden, is not objective, scrutable, and risk-based, and should be suspended.

Your concerns will be reviewed in accordance with NRC Manual Chapter 0609, Attachment 3, NUREG/BR-0195, and NRC Management Directive 8.4 and you will be notified of the results when we have completed our reviews. If we have not accurately characterized your views or if you have questions regarding the NRC processes, please contact me at (817) 860-8180 or Gail M. Good, Chief, Plant Support Branch, at (817) 860-8215.

Sincerely.

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