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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNIT 2 - OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT ON TIA 2001-10, "DESIGN BASIS ASSUMPTIONS FOR ABILITY OF PRAIRIE ISLAND, UNIT 2, EMERGENCY DIESEL GENERATORS TO MEET SINGLE FAILURE CRITERIA FOR EXTERNAL EVENTS" (TAC NO. MB2953)

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If you decide to respond to this letter, we request that your response be provided within 60 days of receipt of this letter. Please feel free to contact me at (301) 415-1392 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. 50-306

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