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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 - DRAFT  
SAFETY EVALUATION RE: CONVERSION TO IMPROVED TECHNICAL  
SPECIFICATIONS (TAC NOS. MB0695 AND MB0696)

Dear Mr. Nazar:

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Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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