

June 13, 2002

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Mr. M. Warner
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Dear Mr. Warner:

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This issue was assessed using the applicable significance determination process as a potentially safety significant finding that was preliminarily determined to be White, i.e., an issue with some increased importance to safety which may require additional NRC inspection. Before the NRC makes a final decision on this matter, we are providing you an opportunity, at the Regulatory Conference, to provide your perspectives on the significance of the finding, and the bases for your position. The ADAMS accession number of the associated inspection report is ML021210488. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

We will gladly discuss any questions you may have concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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