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SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-2001-035)

Dear Mr. Parrish:

This letter refers to an investigation conducted by the NRC Office of Investigations (OI) regarding activities at Columbia Generating Station. OI initiated the investigation in response to a complaint of employment discrimination from a former employee of Crane Nuclear Inc.

Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, testimony, and document reviews, the allegation was not substantiated. The NRC plans no further action regarding this investigation and considers this case closed.

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Sincerely,

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