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Mr. A. C. Bakken III
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500 Circle Drive
Buchanan MI 49107

SUBJECT: OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 3-2001-011

Dear Mr. Bakken:

The NRC recently conducted an investigation regarding a concern that a Maintenance Rule Group Supervisor was terminated for raising concerns about the quality of work associated with a maintenance rule action plan.

The NRC has completed its investigation into this matter. Based upon the results of the NRC's investigation, we did not substantiate that the Maintenance Rule Group Supervisor was terminated for raising safety concerns. A copy of the Region III Office of Investigations report synopsis is enclosed. This concludes the NRC's investigation into this matter.

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact James Heller or Andrea Kock of the NRC Region III staff at telephone number (630) 829-9500.

Sincerely,

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John A. Grobe, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations, Region III, on March 20, 2001, to determine whether a Maintenance Rule Group Supervisor was deliberately discriminated against when terminated from the D.C. Cook Nuclear Power Plant after raising concerns about the quality of the maintenance rule program data.

Based upon the evidence, the investigation did not substantiate that the Maintenance Rule Group Supervisor was discriminated against for raising quality concerns.