August 15, 2002

Mr. Robert M. Bellamy Site Vice President Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station 600 Rocky Hill Road Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360-5599

SUBJECT: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) LETTER

REGARDING A DEFICIENCY IDENTIFIED DURING THE JUNE 15, 2002, TAUNTON RECEPTION CENTER EXERCISE FOR THE PILGRIM NUCLEAR

POWER PLANT

Dear Mr. Bellamy:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter dated June 21, 2002, that was sent by FEMA to Stephen McGrail, Director, Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA), informing him of the Deficiency regarding the June 15, 2002, Taunton Reception Center Exercise. This Deficiency was assessed against the Taunton Reception Center because inoperable portal monitors precluded the facility's ability to monitor the required number of evacuees.

FEMA, as stated in FEMA-REP-14, defines a Deficiency as "an observed or identified inadequacy of organizational performance in an exercise that could cause a finding that offsite emergency preparedness is not adequate to provide reasonable assurance that appropriate protective measures can be taken in the event of a radiological emergency to protect the health and safety of the public living in the vicinity of a nuclear power plant." The Deficiency should be corrected within 120 days after the exercise. Please provide assistance to offsite officials as they address and resolve the identified issue in a timely manner.

If you have any questions concerning this enclosure, please contact David Silk at (610) 337-5372.

Sincerely,

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