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BV-2 Docket No. 50-412, License No. NPF-73

Gentlemen:

This letter confirms our conversations requesting a public meeting to review FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company's (FENOC) overall performance. While the recent classification of the Perry Nuclear Power Plant into the Multiple/Degraded Cornerstone certainly provides a near-term catalyst for further discussion, our industry benchmarking also finds that periodic public meetings (perhaps annually) between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the licensee at the fleet level are productive.

Our staffs (through Region III) are working on dates and logistics for the meeting. I would offer the proposed topics be covered as we begin to formulate the agenda:

- Brief presentation of the overall FENOC fleet strategy, approach and plan
- Summary of 2004 progress, fleet-wide and each plant, including the Nuclear Oversight perspective

- Plans going forward 2005-07, fleet-wide and each plant, including the Nuclear Oversight perspective
- Challenges we face and what we are doing to overcome them
- Open discussion/Question & Answer

The above approach is merely a starting point and we welcome your input on topics you would like to be sure we cover in the meeting. The Akron office will continue to remain your point of contact on this particular session.

We look forward to a productive meeting.

Sincerely,



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