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Generating Station

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- References: 1) Order dated April 29, 2003, Requiring Compliance with Revised Design Basis Threat ("Order EA-03-086" or "Order")
- 2) NRC letter dated 10/28/2004, Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 – Administrative Change to Facility Operating License In Conjunction With The Commission Order EA-03-086 Regarding Revised Design Basis Threat; and Revisions To Physical Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, And Safeguards Contingency Plan (TAC nos. MC2950, MC2951, and MC2952)

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)  
Units 1, 2 and 3  
Docket No. STN 50-528; 50-529; 50-530  
License No. NPF-41; NPF-51; NPF-74  
APS Response to NRC Safety Evaluation of the PVNGS Physical Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Security Program.**

Dear Mr. Nakoski:

APS is providing this correspondence to notify the NRC of certain inconsistencies between the NRC safety evaluation and the PVNGS Revised Security Plan. As discussed with you on November 30, 2004, these items, while minor in nature, are in need of resolution to ensure the PVNGS Revised Security Plan meets the requirements of the applicable Orders and that the NRC based their regulatory evaluation on accurate information. APS has identified the noted inconsistencies within the enclosure to this letter.

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Security Plan, Training and Qualification Plan, Safeguards Contingency Plan, and  
Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation Security Program.

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If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Daniel G. Marks,  
Section Leader, Regulatory Affairs, at (623) 393-6492. Arizona Public Service  
Company makes no commitments in this letter.

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Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Inconsistencies between NRC safety evaluation and the PVNGS Revised  
Security Plan

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