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Randall K. Edington, Vice
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SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-2004-027)

Dear Mr. Edington:

This refers to an investigation conducted by the NRC Office of Investigations (OI) regarding activities at the Cooper Nuclear Station. OI initiated the investigation to determine whether an engineer had been subjected to employment discrimination for bringing forward safety concerns.

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

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Sincerely,

/RA K.M.Kennedy Acting for/

Arthur T. Howell, Director
Division of Reactor Projects

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