August 12, 2005

Mr. T. Palmisano Site Vice-President Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Nuclear Management Company, LLC 1717 Wakonade Drive East Welch, MN 55089

SUBJECT: REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM INSPECTION

Dear Mr. Palmisano:

In a telephone conversation on August 8, 2005, Mr. Tim McDonald, Licensed Operator Requalification Coordinator, and Mr. Chuck Phillips, Senior Operations Engineer, made arrangements for the NRC to inspect the licensed operator qualification program at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant. The inspection is planned for the week of October 3, 2005, which coincides with your regularly scheduled qualification examination cycle. The staff at your facility should prepare and conduct the qualification examinations in accordance with your NRC-approved qualification program.

In accordance with 10 CFR 55.59(c), the NRC may request facility licensees to submit their biennial comprehensive requalification written examinations or annual operating tests as necessary to support the NRC's inspection program needs. In order for the NRC to adequately prepare for this inspection, please furnish the written examinations and operating tests scheduled for the week of the inspection to the NRC by September 26, 2005. Mr. McDonald has been advised of this request and provided with the name and address of the NRC lead inspector assigned to this inspection.

This letter contains information collections that are subject to the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995* (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). These information collections were approved by the Office of Management and Budget, approval number 3150-0018, which expires on June 30, 2006.

The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments on any aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Information and Records Management Branch (T-6 F33), U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001, or by Internet electronic mail at BJS1@NRC.GOV; and to the Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, NEOB-10202, (3150-0018), Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503-0001.

The NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

T. Palmisano

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <u>http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</u> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact Chuck Phillips at 630-829-9739, or me at 630-829-9707.

Sincerely,

/RA by B. Palagi acting for/

Hironori Peterson, Chief Operations Branch Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-282; 50-306 License Nos. DPR-42; DPR-60

cc:: C. Anderson, Senior Vice President, Group Operations

 J. Cowan, Executive Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Regulatory Affairs Manager
 J. Rogoff, Vice President, Counsel & Secretary Nuclear Asset Manager
 Tribal Council, Prairie Island Indian Community
 Administrator, Goodhue County Courthouse
 Commissioner, Minnesota Department
 of Commerce
 Manager, Environmental Protection Division
 Office of the Attorney General of Minnesota
 J. Lash, Training Department

T. Palmisano

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <u>http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</u> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact Chuck Phillips at 630-829-9739, or me at 630-829-9707.

Sincerely,

/RA by B. Palagi acting for/

Hironori Peterson, Chief Operations Branch Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-282; 50-306 License Nos. DPR-42; DPR-60

cc:: C. Anderson, Senior Vice President, Group Operations

 J. Cowan, Executive Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Regulatory Affairs Manager
 J. Rogoff, Vice President, Counsel & Secretary Nuclear Asset Manager
 Tribal Council, Prairie Island Indian Community
 Administrator, Goodhue County Courthouse
 Commissioner, Minnesota Department
 of Commerce
 Manager, Environmental Protection Division
 Office of the Attorney General of Minnesota
 J. Lash, Training Department

To receive a copy of this document, indicate in the box: "C" = Copy without attachment/enclosure "E" = Copy with attachment/enclosure "N" = No copy								
OFFICE	RIII		RIII					
NAME	CPhillips:co		HPeterson					
DATE	08/12/05		08/12/05					

DOCUMENT NAME: E:\Filenet\ML052280251.wpd

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

T. Palmisano

ADAMS Distribution: MLC RidsNrrDipmlipb GEG KGO JTA DRPIII DRSIII PLB1 JRK1 DCT MAB1