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Dr. Bruce Kaiser Vice President, Fuel Operations ABB Combustion Engineering, Inc. 3300 State Road P Hematite, MO 63047

SUBJECT:

RESPONSE TO COMBUSTION ENGINEERING INSPECTION

REPORT 070-00036/98004(DNMS)

Dear Dr. Kaiser:

This refers to your January 15, 1999, response to the Notice of Violation (NOV) transmitted to you by our letter dated October 21, 1998, with Inspection Report 070-00036/98004(DNMS). In your response, you have indicated that Combustion Engineering, Inc., had conducted a root cause analysis of the causes that led to the violation, and also performed a review of dose assessments for 1998. In addition, you indicated that a meeting with NRC Region III would be appropriate to discuss the results of these initiatives. Subsequent conversations with members of your staff and Tim Reidinger (RIII) confirmed that a meeting is scheduled for February 9, 1999, to discuss your initiatives.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Tim Reidinger at (630)-829-9816.

Sincerely,

/s/ Patrick L. Hiland

Patrick L. Hiland, Chief Fuel Cycle Branch

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R. W. Sharkey, Director, Regulatory Affairs R. A. Kucera, Director, Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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