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SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN - H. B.
ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT

Dear Mr. Moyer:

On August 3, 2005, the NRC staff completed its performance review of the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant for the first half of the calendar year 2005 assessment cycle. Our technical staff reviewed performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results over the previous twelve months. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility.

This performance review and the enclosed inspection plan do not include physical protection information. A separate letter designated and marked as "Exempt from Public Disclosure in Accordance with 10 CFR 2.390" will include the physical protection review and a resultant inspection plan.

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only reactor oversight process baseline inspections at your facility through March 31, 2007. We also plan on conducting several inspections which are not part of the routine baseline inspection program. These inspections include a reactor head replacement inspection and a transportation inspection of reactor control rod drives shipped in DOT Specification 7A packages.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, less those related to physical protection scheduled through March 31, 2007. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for the resolution of any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues well in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The inspections in the last twelve months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be made 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 <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). If circumstances arise which cause us to change the inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at (404) 562-4530 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Robinson Inspection/Activity Plan

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