May 25, 2005

Mr. R. Anderson Vice President FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company Perry Nuclear Power Plant P. O. Box 97, A290 10 Center Road Perry, OH 44081

SUBJECT: NRC OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 2-2002-046S

Dear Mr. Anderson:

This letter refers to an investigation conducted by the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI) to determine whether a plant operator at the Perry Nuclear Power Plant was discriminated against for writing a condition report. This allegation was brought to our attention on October 25, 2002. Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, OI did not substantiate the allegation. The OI report synopsis is enclosed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact James Heller or Paul Pelke of the NRC Region III staff at telephone number (630) 829-9500.

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Sincerely,

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Mark A. Satorius, Director Division of Reactor Safety

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Enclosure: OI Synopsis

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated by the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations, Region III, on October 7, 2003, to determine whether a plant operator at the Perry Nuclear Power Plant was discriminated against for writing a condition report.

Based on the evidence developed, this investigation did not substantiate the allegation that a plant operator was discriminated against for writing a condition report.