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SUBJECT: NRC OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 3-2005-014

Dear Mr. Bezilla:

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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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Cynthia D. Pederson, Director
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Enclosure: OI Report Synopsis

cc w/enclosure: AMS File No. RIII-2005-A-0009

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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI), Region III (RIII), on April 25, 2005 to determine if a former System Engineer at the Davis-Besse Nuclear Plant was discriminated against for raising safety concerns to management.

Based upon the evidence developed, this investigation did not substantiate the allegation that the former System Engineer was discriminated against for raising safety concerns to management.