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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION - NRC INSPECTION
REPORT 05000397/2006401

Dear Mr. Parrish:

On October 19, 2006, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at your Columbia Generating Station. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on October 19, 2006, with Mr. Scott Oxenford and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

No findings of significance were identified.

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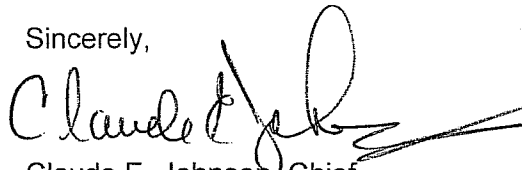
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Sincerely,



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