

December 19, 2007

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SUBJECT: CHANGE TO THE INSPECTION PLAN - PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT

Dear Mr. Schwarz:

As part of a periodic self-assessment, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) thoroughly reviewed its inspection procedures to ensure the continued effective application of inspection resources. The main objective of the review was to determine the appropriate inspection scope for the majority of the inspection procedures in the reactor oversight process (ROP). The result of this effort (designated ROP realignment) created changes to both inspection scope and/or inspection frequency for selected inspection procedures in the ROP. The purpose of this letter is to update the schedule of future inspection activities at your facility that was provided with the mid-cycle assessment letter in August 2007. Please note that there were no changes made to inspection procedures in the security, emergency preparedness, and health physics areas.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections (less those related to security) scheduled for calendar year 2008. The inspection plan is provided to resolve any scheduling and/or personnel availability issues well in advance of the inspectors' arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their continuous nature.

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Please contact me at 630-829-9619 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Palisades
Inspection / Activity Plan
01/01/2008 - 12/31/2008

Inspection Activity		Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates Start End		Inspection Type
BI RP	- RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls			01/14/2008	01/18/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI OL	- BIENNIAL REQUAL. PROGRAM INSPECTION		2			
IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program			02/04/2008	02/08/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI PI&R	- BIENNIAL PI&R INSPECTION		3			
IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems			03/31/2008	04/18/2008	Baseline Inspections
ISFSI	- ISFSI INSPECTION		1			
IP 60855.1	Operation of an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at Operating Plants			03/01/2008	03/30/2008	Other Routine
BI RP	- RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation			05/19/2008	05/23/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-BI01	Reactor Coolant System Activity			05/19/2008	05/23/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-OR01	Occupational Exposure Control Effectiveness			05/19/2008	05/23/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-PR01	RETS/ODCM Radiological Effluent			05/19/2008	05/23/2008	Baseline Inspections
2515/172	- TI 2515/172 RCS WELD INSPECTION		1			
IP 2515/172	Reactor Coolant System Dissimilar Metal Butt Welds			05/19/2008	06/07/2008	Generic Safety Inspe
BI EP	- EP EXERCISE INSPECTION / PI VERIFICATION		3			
IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation			09/15/2008	09/19/2008	EP Baseline Inspectic
IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance			09/15/2008	09/19/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation			09/15/2008	09/19/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System			09/15/2008	09/19/2008	Baseline Inspections
OL EXAM	- INITIAL LIC OP EXAM PREP PALISADES 2008		3			
W90188	PALISADES - INITIAL EXAM - SEPT/OCT 2008			09/29/2008	10/03/2008	Not Applicable
OL EXAM	- INITIAL LIC OP EXAM PALISADES 2008		3			
W90188	PALISADES - INITIAL EXAM - SEPT/OCT 2008			10/20/2008	10/31/2008	Not Applicable
BI ENG	- COMPONENT DESIGN BASES INSPECTION		5			
IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection			11/03/2008	12/05/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI RP	- RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas			12/08/2008	12/12/2008	Baseline Inspections