

December 19, 2007

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SUBJECT: CHANGE TO THE INSPECTION PLAN - MONTICELLO NUCLEAR
GENERATING PLANT

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

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 630-829-9628 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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

Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates		Inspection Type
			Start	End	
BI ENG - TRIENNIAL FIRE PROTECTION INSPECTION		3			
IP 7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]		03/31/2008	04/18/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		04/28/2008	05/02/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-PR01	RETS/ODCM Radiological Effluent		04/28/2008	05/02/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI EP - EP ROUTINE INSPECTION / PI VERIFICATION		1			
IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	EP Baseline Inspectic
IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	EP Baseline Inspectic
IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	EP Baseline Inspectic
IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System		06/23/2008	06/27/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		07/07/2008	07/11/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-BI01	Reactor Coolant System Activity		07/07/2008	07/11/2008	Baseline Inspections
ISFSI - ISFSI INSPECTION		1			
IP 60854.1	Preoperational Testing of Independent Spent Fuel Storage Facility Installation at Operating F		07/01/2008	07/15/2008	Other Routine
IP 60854	Preoperational Testing Of An ISFSI		07/16/2008	07/30/2008	Other Routine
IP 60855.1	Operation of an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at Operating Plants		08/01/2008	09/30/2008	Other Routine
BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1			
IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		09/29/2008	10/03/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/29/2008	10/03/2008	Baseline Inspections
IP 71151-OR01	Occupational Exposure Control Effectiveness		09/29/2008	10/03/2008	Baseline Inspections
BI PI&R - BIENNIAL PI&R INSPECTION		3			
IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		10/20/2008	11/07/2008	Baseline Inspections