

January 22, 2008

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION, AND NOTICE OF NONCONFORMANCE

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We acknowledge your request for a 30 day extension, and having considered the circumstances prompting the request, we hereby grant you that extension.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Public inspections, exemptions, requests for withholding," of 10 CFR Part 2, "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings and Issuance of Orders," a copy of this letter, its enclosures and any associated correspondence will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made available to the Public without redaction.

Sincerely,

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