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May 26, 2006

Mr. W. D. Nash Vice President and General Manager BWX Technologies, Inc. Nuclear Products Division P. O. Box 785 Lynchburg, VA 24505-0785

SUBJECT: LICENSEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW (LPR) OF LICENSED ACTIVITIES FOR BWX TECHNOLOGIES, INC. DOCKET NO. 70-27

Dear Mr. Nash:

Managers and staff in Region II, the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, and the Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response, completed a review of the BWX Technology, Inc., (BWXT) facility's performance in conducting NRC licensed activities. The review evaluated the facility's performance during the period beginning April 3, 2005, and ending April 15, 2006. This letter and the enclosure provide to you the results of our review, and will be used as a basis for establishing the NRC oversight program for your conduct of licensed activities during the next 12 months.

BWXT continued to conduct its activities safely and securely during the review period. However, the NRC concluded that

The results of our review will be discussed with you at your facility during a meeting closed to the public on July 12, 2006. During the meeting, we expect you to discuss your view of your performance in the same major areas that the NRC evaluated. We ask you to specifically address the actions you have taken or are planning to take

Questions and comments about NRC's review of BWXT's performance should be referred to Mr. David Ayres, who can be reached by telephone at 404-562-4711.

Sincerely,

/RA/ J. Henson acting for

Douglas M. Collins, Director Division of Fuel Facility Inspection

Docket No. 70-27 License No. SNM-42

Enclosure: Licensee Performance Review Summary Outline

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LICENSEE PERFORMANCE REVIEW BWXT ASSESSMENT PERIOD: April 3, 2005 to April 15, 2006

The following is a summary of the performance of BWXT, in the conduct of NRC licensed activities.

PERFORMANCE AREA: SAFETY OPERATIONS

This area is comprised of chemical safety, nuclear criticality safety, plant operations, and fire safety.

Program Areas Needing Improvement

None

PERFORMANCE AREA: RADIOLOGICAL CONTROLS

This area is comprised of radiation protection, environmental protection, waste management, and transportation.

Program Areas Needing Improvement

• None

PERFORMANCE AREA: FACILITY SUPPORT

This area is comprised of maintenance and surveillance, training, emergency preparedness, and management controls.

Program Areas Needing Improvement

None

PERFORMANCE AREA: SPECIAL TOPICS (LICENSING ACTIVITIES)

This area is comprised of safety licensing.

Program Areas Needing Improvement

None

Enclosure