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SUBJECT: ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNITS 1 AND 2 – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION
REPORT 05000313/2008401 AND 05000368/2008401

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

On April 17, 2008, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Arkansas Nuclear One, Units 1 and 2. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on April 17, 2008, with you and other members of your staff.

This 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.

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| WARNING: Violation of Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act, protection requirements for "SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION," is subject to civil and criminal penalties. | Safeguards Information determination made by: Name/Title <u>Michael P. Shannon/Brach Chief</u> Organization <u>U.S. NRC, RIV</u> Basis <u>10 CFR 73.21</u> Signature <u>/RA/</u> Date <u>5/20/08</u> |
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Sincerely,

/RA/

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