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January 12, 2009

Ms. Lisa M. Price  
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**SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 70-1113/2008-008 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Dear Ms. Price:

This refers to the inspection conducted from December 8 - 19, 2008, at the GNF-A facility. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. On December 12 and December 19, 2008, the inspectors discussed the findings with members of your staff.

This inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selected examination of procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that a Severity Level IV violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation was evaluated in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy included on the NRC's Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding it are described in the NRC Form 591FF, SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT, Parts 1 and 3. The violation is being cited in the Notice because the violation was identified by the NRC. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

The NRC also determined that an additional Severity Level IV violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation is being treated as Non-Cited Violation (NCV), consistent with Section VI.A of the Enforcement Policy. The NCV is described in the NRC Form 591FF, SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE INSPECTION REPORT, Parts 1 and 3. If you contest the violation or significance of the NCV, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001, with copies to: (1) the Regional Administrator, Region 2; and (2) the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your response, if you choose to provide one, will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/readingrm/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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Daniel W. Rich, Chief  
Fuel Facility Inspection Branch 3  
Division of Fuel Facility Inspection

Docket No. 70-1113  
License No. SNM-1097

Enclosure: NRC Form 591FF Parts 1 and 3  
Notice of Violation

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