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Vice President, Operations  
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**SUBJECT: ENTERGY NUCLEAR INDIAN POINT 2, LLC'S STATUS OF  
DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING ASSURANCE FOR INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR  
GENERATING UNIT NO. 2 (TAC NO. ME0528)**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On March 30, 2009, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) received Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC's (ENIP2's) biennial decommissioning funding report (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML090920576) for Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2 (Indian Point 2).

Based on our internal review, the NRC staff believes that there is a decommissioning funding assurance shortfall for Indian Point 2. Although a shortfall in decommissioning funding assurance does not affect safe operations, adequate decommissioning funding assurance is important to ensure a plant will eventually be decommissioned safely.

The NRC staff will conduct a telephone conference with ENIP2 within ten working days of the date of this letter to discuss the staff's calculations and methodology. The intent of the call will be to establish a mutual understanding and framework such that you will be able to develop a plan to resolve any decommissioning funding assurance shortfall.

If ENIP2 is determined to have a shortfall, it will need to submit a plan by a date to be established at the close of the telephone conference. The plan would describe how and when the licensee intends to make adjustments to its trust fund balances and/or make other adjustments or changes with respect to financial assurance mechanisms, such that it will meet the minimum amount of financial assurance consistent with NRC's regulations.

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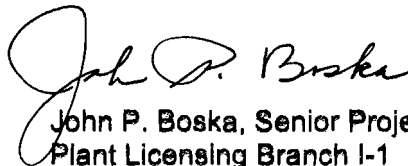
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Please contact me at (301) 415-2901 if you have any questions on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John P. Boska". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being the most prominent part.

**John P. Boska, Senior Project Manager  
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Division of Operating Reactor Licensing  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation**

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