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REGION II
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October 19, 2009

Mr. David A. Baxter
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**SUBJECT: OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION - NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT
05000269/2009403, 05000270/2009403, AND 05000287/2009403**

Dear Mr. Baxter:

On September 18, 2009, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3. 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 September 17, 2009, with you and other members of your staff. A re-exit meeting was conducted by telephone on October 13, 2009, with Mr. Terry King and other members of your staff.

Enclosures transmitted herewith contain SUNSI. When separated from enclosures, this transmittal document is decontrolled.

The 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 inspector reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

This report documents one NRC identified finding of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Physical Protection Significance Determination Process). The deficiency was corrected or compensated for, and the plant was in compliance with applicable physical protection and security requirements within the scope of this inspection before the inspector left the site. However, because of the very low safety significance and because the deficiency was entered into your corrective action program, the NRC is treating this violation as non-cited violation (NCV) consistent with Section VI.A.1 of the NRC Enforcement Policy. If you contest this violation, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your disagreement, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Oconee Nuclear Station (ONS). In addition, if you disagree with the characterization of any finding in this report, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your disagreement, to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and the NRC

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Resident Inspector at the Oconee Nuclear Station. The information you provide will be considered in accordance with the Inspection Manual Chapter 0305.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system, ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). However, because of the security-related concerns contained in the enclosure, and in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, a copy of this letter's enclosure will not be available for public inspection.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response, if any. This practice will ensure that your response will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system, ADAMS. If Safeguards Information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21. Otherwise, mark your entire response "Security-Related Information-Withhold Under 10 CFR 2.390" and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1).

Sincerely,



Michael Ernest, Chief
Plant Support Branch 2
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos.: 50-269, 50-270, 50-287
License Nos: DPR-38, DPR-47, DPR-55

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