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EXERCISE (TAC NO. ME2400)

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We discussed these RAIs with your staff on October 22, 2009. Please provide a response within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert E. Martin".

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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