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SUBJECT: NRC PARTICIPATION IN THE PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT SEPTEMBER 2010 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE

Dear Mr. Bezilla:

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission routinely participates in licensees' emergency preparedness exercises to ensure that the NRC's Incident Response capabilities are effectively maintained and to provide licensees an opportunity to exercise the interface with the NRC that may occur during the response to an incident at their sites. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our intent to participate in the Perry Nuclear Power Plant Emergency Preparedness Exercise that is scheduled to occur on September 28, 2010. Currently, the extent of participation will only involve regional response staff.

The regional response will involve activating our Region III Incident Response Center and sending an NRC Site Team, including our resident inspectors, to your emergency response facilities. If our scope of participation changes, we will contact your emergency preparedness staff to discuss the changes. We will also be coordinating with your staff to schedule pre-exercise outreach presentations and training opportunities given by our emergency response coordinators. The NRC outreach and training are offered to your staff to further reinforce concepts related to NRC incident response activities.

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If you have any questions concerning our participation, please contact Jennifer Dalzell-Bishop at 630-829-9607 or myself at 630-829-9820.

Sincerely,

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Wayne Slawinski, Acting Chief
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