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SUBJECT: CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION - NRC PHYSICAL SECURITY INSPECTION
REPORT 05000413/2010404 AND 05000414/2010404

Dear Mr. Morris:

On June 10, 2010, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an in office physical security inspection of a security condition that was identified during the physical security baseline inspection on January 26, 2010, at your Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on June 10, 2010, with you and other members of your staff.

This 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 inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

This report documents one finding of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Physical Protection Significance Determination Process). The finding is NRC identified. The deficiency was corrected or compensated for, and the plant was in compliance with applicable physical protection and security requirements within the scope of the baseline inspection before the inspector left the site. The finding had a cross-cutting aspect in the area of Problem Identification & Resolution P.1.(c). 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 denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator Region II; the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Catawba Nuclear Station. The information you provide will be considered in accordance with Inspection Manual Chapter 0305.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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