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**SUBJECT: NRC PARTICIPATION IN THE PERRY SEPTEMBER 2010 EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE**

Dear Mr. Bezilla:

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) 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 and 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 Emergency Preparedness Exercise that is scheduled to occur on September 28, 2010. From the previous letter sent to you, the extent of participation has changed. Currently, the extent of participation will involve NRC Headquarters response staff, including participation by one of the NRC Commissioners, as well as regional response staff. We have been in contact with your staff about this change.

During the exercise, the NRC's response will involve activating our Region III Incident Response Center, Headquarters Operations Center, and sending an NRC Site Team, including our resident inspectors, to your 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 a pre-exercise outreach presentation 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 630-829-9827.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division of Reactor Safety

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