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Dear Major McNulty,

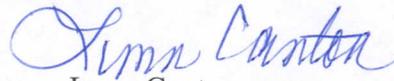
This is regarding the January 28, 2010 Remedial Drill to correct a Deficiency issue that was assessed at the full-scale federally evaluated radiological emergency preparedness and response exercise held for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station on October 6, 2009. As you know FEMA defines a Deficiency as "...an observed or identified inadequacy of organizational performance in an exercise that could cause a finding that offsite emergency preparedness is not adequate to provide reasonable assurance that appropriate protective measures can be taken in the event of a radiological emergency to protect the health and safety of the public living in the vicinity of a nuclear power plant." 44 CFR 353, App. A. The issue concerned a lack of timeliness of notification to some of the municipalities within the 10-mile emergency planning zone of the station.

We are pleased to notify you that the 21-person evaluation team, stationed at the State ROIC in Trenton, Ocean County EOC and at each of the 17 municipal EOCs, reported that the Drill went well. During the 3-hour demonstration, all emergency information was received by the county and passed on to the municipalities in a timely manner. This information included plant status, emergency alert system messages, press releases, declaration of a state of emergency and protective action recommendations. This clears the issue and we thank you and all the participants who worked so diligently to improve the procedures and make this a successful drill.

The exercise report for this exercise and Remedial Drill is being prepared and will be provided for your review and comment shortly. The next full-scale, federally-evaluated radiological emergency preparedness program exercise is scheduled for September, 2011. My staff looks forward to working with yours and with the county and licensee to plan and prepare for that exercise.

Questions on this matter can be addressed to Rebecca S. Thomson, Technological Hazards Branch Chief, at 212-680-8509.

Sincerely,



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Regional Administrator

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