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SUBJECT: NRC SECURITY-RELATED INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-027/2010-202,
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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, please contact Craig Bassett at 301-466-4495.

Sincerely,

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