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SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT ENERGY CENTER – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT
05000247/2010403 AND 05000286/2010403

Dear Mr. Pollock:

On September 17, 2010, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Indian Point Energy Center, Units 2 and 3. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on September 17, 2010, with Mr. Pat Conroy, Director Nuclear Safety Assurance.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your licenses as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your licenses. The inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

This report documents one NRC-identified finding and one self-revealing finding of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Baseline Security Significance Determination Process). The deficiencies were promptly corrected or compensated for, and the plant was in compliance with applicable physical protection and security requirements within the scope of this inspection before the inspectors left the site.

The findings had cross-cutting aspects in the area of Human Performance because Entergy personnel did not use human error prevention techniques and failed to use conservative assumptions in decision making [H.4(a) and H.1(b)]. If you disagree with the cross-cutting aspects assigned to 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 disagreement, to the Regional Administrator, Region I, and the NRC Resident Inspectors at Indian Point Energy Center.

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Additionally, two licensee-identified violations which were determined to be of very low security significance, are listed in this report. However, because of the very low security significance and because they are entered into your corrective action program, the NRC is treating these as non-cited violations (NCVs), consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the NRC's Enforcement Policy.

If you contest these non-cited violations, 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 DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region I; the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspectors at Indian Point Energy Center.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response, if any. This practice will ensure that your response will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system, ADAMS. If Safeguards Information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21. Otherwise, mark your entire response "Security-Related Information - Withhold Under 10 CFR 2.390" and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1).

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division of Reactor Safety

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