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June 16, 2011

Mr. Thomas P. Kirwin
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Covert, MI 49043

SUBJECT: PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT
05000255/2011201

Dear Mr. Kirwin:

On April 29, 2011, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Palisades Nuclear Plant. 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 via telephone on May 5, 2011, with you and other members of your staff.

The 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.

No findings of significance were identified.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Robert C. Johnson, Chief
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