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SUBJECT: MIDCYCLE SECURITY PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN -  
WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 3

Dear Mr. Kowalewski:

On August 18, 2011, the NRC staff completed its performance review of Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, for the first half of the calendar year 2011 assessment cycle. Our technical staff reviewed performance indicators for the most recent quarter and inspection results over the previous 12 months. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your security performance during this period and our plans for future security inspections at your facility.

Security performance for the most recent quarter at Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, was within the Licensee Response column of the NRC's security action matrix on the basis that all inspection findings have very low security significance (Green) and the performance indicator was indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct security baseline inspections at your facility.

The enclosed inspection plan lists the security inspections scheduled through December 31, 2012. The inspection plan is provided to allow for the resolution of any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues well before our inspectors arrive onsite. The inspections in the last 9 months of the inspection plan are tentative and the plan may be revised at the end-of-cycle review. Routine force-on-force inspections are conducted approximately every 3 years. You will be notified by separate correspondence 8 to 10 weeks in advance of any force-on-force inspections scheduled for your facility.

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If we change the inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact Michael C. Hay at (817) 276-6527 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

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Sincerely,

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