



FEMA

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Mr. Scott Morris
Director, Division of Preparedness and Response
Nuclear Security and Incident Response
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington DC 20555-0001

Statement of Continued Reasonable Assurance for North Anna Power Station

Dear Mr. Morris:

On August 23, 2011, an earthquake of magnitude 5.8 occurred near the North Anna Power Station. The reactors automatically shut down and have continued to stay shut down while the NRC conducted reviews and inspections.

FEMA Region III conducted several post-event assessments. Immediately after the earthquake, the Commonwealth of Virginia conducted an offsite assessment and reported findings to FEMA. Approximately one month after the earthquake, FEMA contacted the Commonwealth to verify there were no changes to the initial assessment. On October 3 and 4, 2011, FEMA witnessed both siren and communications tests, as well as a visual inspection of evacuation routes. There were no areas of concern with the offsite response during this time frame.

FEMA concludes that offsite radiological emergency preparedness remains adequate to protect the health and safety of the public in the event of a radiological emergency at the North Anna Power Station. Therefore, we have no concerns with regards to full-power operation.

If there are any questions, please contact Vanessa Quinn, Branch Chief, Radiological Emergency Preparedness Program at 703-605-1535

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrew Mitchell".

Andrew Mitchell
Director
Technological Hazards Division

cc: V. Quinn, FEMA Headquarters
J. Anderson, Nuclear Regulatory Commission