

April 10, 2012

Mr. Peter Wells
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SUBJECT: DUANE ARNOLD ENERGY CENTER – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION
REPORT 05000331/2012201

Dear Mr. Wells:

On March 21, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC). 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 March 21, 2012, with Mr. G. Pry, Acting Plant Manager, 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.

Based on the results of this inspection, no findings of significance were identified.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). However, because of the security-related information contained in the enclosure, and in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, a copy of this letter's enclosure will not be available for public inspection.

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Sincerely,

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