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Mr. David Gobbi, Quality Assurance Manager
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SUBJECT: NRC OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 4-2011-057

Dear Mr. Gobbi:

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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, its enclosure, and your response, if any, will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact Lois James, Senior Allegations Coordinator of NRC's Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, toll free at (800) 368-5642.

Sincerely,

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Frederick D. Brown, Director
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SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated on July 7, 2011, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations, Region IV, to determine whether a Nuclear Quality Assurance Engineer at the Flowserve Corporation, Nuclear Pump Division (Flowserve), in Vernon, California, was subjected to employment discrimination by management for raising safety-related concerns.

Based on the evidence developed, this investigation did not substantiate the allegation that a Nuclear Quality Assurance Engineer at Flowserve was subjected to employment discrimination by management for raising safety-related concerns.

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