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July 3, 2012

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SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT;
NRC SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT
05000263/2012403(DRS)

Dear Mr. Schimmel:

On June 21, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection of your Monticello Nuclear Generating 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 on June 21, 2012, with Mr. T. O'Connor 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/

Mel Holmberg, Acting Chief
Plant Support Branch
Division of Reactor Safety

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