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December 13, 2012

Mr. Anthony Vitale
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SUBJECT: PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT NRC MATERIAL CONTROL AND
ACCOUNTING PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT 05000255/2012405

Dear Mr. Vitale:

On November 30, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at your Palisades Nuclear 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 December 7, 2012, with you 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 inspector reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

No findings were identified during this inspection.

In accordance with 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 System (PARS) component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

/RA/

John B. Giessner, Chief
Branch 4
Division of Reactor Projects

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