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December 23, 2013

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**SUBJECT: BIG ROCK POINT INTEGRATED INSPECTION PLAN - CALENDAR  
YEAR 2014**

Dear Mr. Vitale:

In accordance with U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Inspection Manual Chapter 2690, Appendix B, Inspection Program Guidance for Away From Reactor Site Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations (ISFSI), the NRC Region III staff and management have developed an Integrated Inspection Plan (IIP) for Big Rock Point (BRP). The plan is based on your current performance and schedule of activities planned for the site for the period of January through December 2014 (CY14). The plan outlines how we intend to focus our Regional inspection resources to provide oversight for ISFSI activities at the BRP facility.

Because this IIP is based, in part, on your proposed schedule of ISFSI activities for CY14, the plan and focus of NRC inspection activities may change to reflect a change in your planned activities or your performance. In order to ensure that this IIP remains current, we request that you keep the Materials Control, ISFSI, and Decommissioning Branch (MCID) staff informed of any significant changes in your proposed schedule of activities. You will be informed of any significant changes to the BRP inspection schedule.

We currently project the Region will conduct three inspections at BRP through December 2014 to evaluate ISFSI safety and security, and follow up on open inspection issues from the CY12 routine safety inspection. The inspection procedures we expect to use during our inspection activities are listed below. Additional inspection procedures may be used or inspections conducted if ISFSI activities warrant.

Inspection Procedure

IP 60858  
IP 81311  
IP 81810  
IP 85102

Title

Away-From-Reactor ISFSI Inspection Guidance  
Physical Security Requirements for ISFSIs  
Protection of Safeguards Information  
Material Control and Accounting

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We will gladly discuss any questions you may have regarding this IIP. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the following members of my staff: Gene Bonano (Security and MC&A) at (630) 829-9826 or Jeremy Tapp (HP/Safety) at (630) 829-9862.

Sincerely,

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Materials Control, ISFSI, and  
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