

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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May 19, 2015

Mr. Randall K. Edington Executive Vice President Nuclear/CNO Arizona Public Service Company P.O. Box 52034, MS 7602 Phoenix, AZ 85072-2034

SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF INVESTIGATION (OI 4-2014-024)

Dear Mr. Edington:

This refers to an investigation conducted by the NRC's Office of Investigations regarding activities at Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station. The Office of Investigations initiated the investigation to determine whether a senior engineer at Arizona Public Service Company's Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Wintersburg, Arizona, was subjected to employment discrimination for engaging in a protected activity.

Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, the allegation that a senior engineer employed by Arizona Public Service Company was subjected to employment discrimination for engaging in a protected activity was not substantiated. The NRC plans no further action related to the discrimination aspect of this allegation and considers this investigation closed.

You should note that final NRC documents may be made available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act subject to redaction of information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. Requests under the Freedom of Information Act should be made in accordance with 10 CFR 9.23, Requests for Records. Information is accessible from the NRC's website at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/foia-request.html#how.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be made 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 website at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Hay, Team Leader

Allegations Coordination and Enforcement Staff

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