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August 27, 2015

Mr. Anthony Vitale
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Covert, MI 49043-9530

SUBJECT: PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT
NRC SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000255/2015406

Dear Mr. Vitale:

On August 6, 2015, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an 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 August 6, 2015, with you and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety 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.

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

Sincerely,

/RA/

Brian J. Kemker, Acting Chief
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