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September 1, 2015

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SUBJECT: NON-PUBLIC SECURITY INSPECTION PLAN FOR PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3 (NRC PHYSICAL SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT NUMBERS 05000528/2015401, 05000529/2015401, AND 05000530/2015401)

Dear Mr. Edington:

On August 12, 2015, the NRC completed its mid-cycle performance review of Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2, and 3. The results of that review have been transmitted to you separately in a publicly available assessment letter. This letter informs you of the NRC's plans for future security-related inspections at your facility.

The enclosed inspection plan lists the security-related inspections scheduled through June 30, 2017. The inspections listed during the last nine months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the next semiannual performance review. The NRC provides the inspection plan to allow for the resolution of any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues. The NRC will contact you as soon as possible to discuss changes to the inspection plan should circumstances warrant any changes. Routine force-on-force inspections are conducted approximately every 3 years. You will be notified by separate correspondence 8 to 10 weeks in advance of any force-on-force inspections scheduled for your facility.

While we are fully committed to our goal of ensuring openness in our regulatory process, we must balance that goal with the more immediate need of ensuring the continued safety and secure operation of nuclear facilities and the protection of nuclear materials in our country. Thus due to the security-related information contained in this correspondence, and

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Please contact me at (817) 200-1527 with any questions you have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Mark S. Haire, Chief
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