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December 30, 2015

Mr. Kevin Davison  
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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 –  
NRC SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000282/2015407;  
05000306/2015407

Dear Mr. Davison:

On November 20, 2015, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security inspection at your Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2. 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 November 20, 2015, with Mr. C. Calia, 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 NRC-identified or self-revealing findings were identified during this inspection.

However, a licensee-identified violation, which was determined to be of very low security significance (Green), is documented in this report. The NRC is treating this violation as a Non-Cited Violation (NCV) consistent with Section 2.3.2.a. of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violation or significance of the NCV, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis of your denial, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III; the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Station.

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

Sincerely,

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Steven K. Orth, Chief  
Plant Support Branch  
Division of Reactor Safety

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