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Docket No. 03003772

License No. 06-01781-08

James M. Noonan
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**SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 03003772/2015002, ELECTRIC BOAT,
GROTON, CONNECTICUT SITE AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

Dear Mr. Noonan,

On October 20-21, 2015, Randolph Ragland of this office conducted an inspection at the above address of activities authorized by the above listed NRC license. The inspection continued in-office until January 26, 2016. The inspection was an examination of your licensed activities as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's regulations and the license conditions. The inspection consisted of observations by the inspector, interviews with personnel, and a selective examination of representative records. Additional information received by NRC on January 11, 2016, was also examined as part of the inspection. The findings of the inspection were discussed by telephone with you on January 26, 2016.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC determined that one Severity Level (SL) IV violation of NRC requirements occurred. Because of the security-related nature of the violation, additional details will not be provided in this letter, but instead are provided in non-public enclosures. The violation was evaluated in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/enforcement/enforce-pol.html>. The violation is cited in the Notice of Violation (Notice), provided as Enclosure 1 to this letter. The violation is cited because the violation was identified by NRC. Enclosure 2 provides a determination of Severity Level and description of the corrective actions taken by Electric Boat, to address the violation.

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for the violation, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence is already adequately addressed in our records. Therefore, you are not required to respond to this letter unless the description of your corrective actions in Enclosure 2 does not accurately reflect your corrective actions or your position. In that case, or if you choose to provide additional information, you should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice.

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 located at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, MD, and from the NRC's document system, the Agency-wide

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Current NRC regulations and guidance are included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **Nuclear Materials; Med, Ind, & Academic Uses**; then **Regulations, Guidance and Communications**. The current Enforcement Policy is included on the NRC's website at www.nrc.gov; select **About NRC, Organizations & Functions; Office of Enforcement; Enforcement documents**; then **Enforcement Policy (Under 'Related Information')**. You may also obtain these documents by contacting the Government Printing Office (GPO) toll-free at 1-866-512-1800. The GPO is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays).

Please contact Randolph Ragland at 610-337-5083 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Blake D. Welling, Chief
Commercial, Industrial, R&D,
and Academic Branch
Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation (Non-Public)
2. Determination of Severity Level and Description of Corrective Actions (Non-Public)

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