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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION – NRC MATERIAL CONTROL AND  
ACCOUNTING PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT 05000397/2016405

Dear Mr. Reddemann:

On March 3, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection at the Columbia Generating Station. The inspection covered a key attribute of the Security Cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process, Material Control and Accounting of Special Nuclear Material. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on March 3, 2016, with Mr. A. L. Javorik, Vice President, Engineering, 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 inspectors reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

The NRC inspectors documented one finding of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Baseline Security Significance Determination Process for Power Reactors) in this report. This finding involved a violation of NRC requirements. Further, inspectors documented a licensee-identified violation which was determined to be of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Baseline Security Significance Determination Process for Power Reactors) in this report. The NRC is treating these violations as non-cited violations (NCVs) consistent with Section 2.3.2.a of the NRC Enforcement Policy.

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

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response, if any. This practice will ensure that your response will not be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system, ADAMS. If Safeguards Information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21. Otherwise, mark your entire response "Security-Related Information-Withhold Under 10 CFR 2.390" and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1).

Sincerely,

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