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June 15, 2016

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**SUBJECT: MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT – TEMPORARY
INSTRUCTION 2800/041, “10 CFR PART 37, PHYSICAL PROTECTION OF
CATEGORY 1 AND CATEGORY 2 QUANTITIES OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL
AT FACILITIES WITH A 10 CFR PART 73 PHYSICAL PROTECTION PROGRAM”;
INSPECTION REPORT 05000263/2016405**

Dear Mr. Gardner:

On May 26, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at your Monticello Nuclear Generating Plant using Temporary Instruction 2800/041, “10 CFR [Code of Federal Regulations] Part 37, Physical Protection of Category 1 and Category 2 Quantities of Radioactive Material at Facilities with a 10 CFR Part 73 Physical Protection Program.” The enclosed inspection report documents the results of the inspection, which were discussed on May 26, 2016 with you and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to the implementation of 10 CFR Part 37, your compliance with the Commission’s rules and regulations, and with the conditions of your operating licenses. Within these areas, the inspection involved examination of selected procedures and representative records, observations of activities, and interviews with personnel.

No findings were identified during this inspection.

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Should you have any questions regarding this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss the issues with you.

Sincerely,

/RA Joseph Maynen Acting for/

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

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