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Mr. Peter P. Sena President and Chief Nuclear Officer PSEG Nuclear, LLC – N09 P. O. Box 236 Hancocks Bridge, NJ 08038

SUBJECT: NRC INVESTIGATION REPORT NO. 1-2015-016

Dear Mr. Sena:

This letter refers to the subject investigation by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI) conducted at the PSEG Nuclear, LLC Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations. The investigation, which was completed on March 30, 2016, involved security matters, including assertions of improper conduct by security officers. Details of the investigation are considered sensitive information and, therefore, are not included in this letter, but are described in the non-public enclosure. Based on the evidence gathered during the OI investigation, the NRC was not able to substantiate that PSEG SOs engaged in deliberate or willful misconduct. The NRC also concluded that there was no apparent impact to the licensee's ability to implement the site security plans. As a result, the NRC plans no additional action.

You are not required to respond to this letter. However, should you choose to respond, your response should be sent to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Regional Administrator, Region I, 2100 Renaissance Boulevard, Suite 100, King of Prussia, PA 19406, and marked "Open by Addressee Only," within 30 days of the date of this letter, with a copy to the NRC Senior Resident Inspectors at Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations. If Security Related Information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please mark your entire response Security-Related Information in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1) and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1). In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii), the NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response.

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Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Fred Bower at 610-337-5200.

Sincerely,

Michael L. Scott, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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