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Mr. Brian Sullivan
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SUBJECT: PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION – NRC INVESTIGATION REPORT NO.
1-2016-011

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

This letter refers to an investigation by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI) conducted at Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.'s (ENO) Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS). The OI investigation, which was completed on March 17, 2017, involved security matters that are considered sensitive information. Therefore, details of the investigation are not included in this letter, but are described in the non-public enclosures. The NRC initiated the OI investigation after ENO identified the issue, took immediate corrective actions to address any security-related vulnerability, entered the issue into its Corrective Action Program, and notified the NRC Region I office.

Based on the results of the NRC OI investigation, the NRC concluded that a Severity Level IV violation occurred. After considering the factors set forth in Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy, the violation is being cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The details of the violation, including the assessment of its significance and the basis for citing the violation, are provided in Enclosure 1, and the Notice is provided as Enclosure 2.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the Notice when preparing your response. If you have additional information that you believe the NRC should consider, you may provide it in your response to the Notice. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

Enclosure contains Sensitive Unclassified Non-Safeguards Information. When separated from its Enclosure, this document is DECONTROLLED.

B. Sullivan

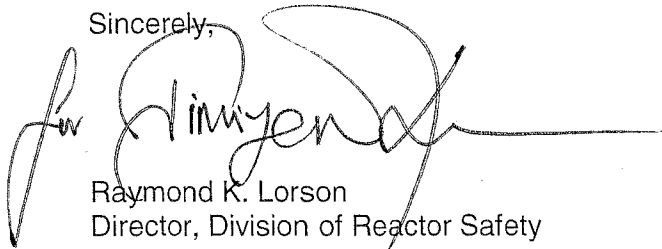
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Please note that final NRC investigation documents, such as the OI report described above, may be made available to the public under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) subject to redaction of information appropriate under the FOIA. Requests under the FOIA should be made in accordance with 10 CFR 9.23, Requests for Records. Additional information is available on the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/foia/foia-privacy.html>.

This enforcement action will be administratively tracked under Inspection Report No. 05000293/2017406. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Arthur Burritt, Chief, Projects Branch 5, Division of Reactor Projects in Region I, at (610) 337-5069.

Sincerely,



Raymond K. Lorson
Director, Division of Reactor Safety

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