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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-397/98-23 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Parrish:

This refers to the inspection conducted from November 22 to December 26, 1998, at your Washington Nuclear Project-2 reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

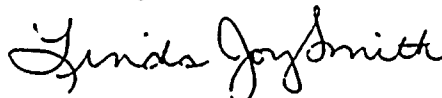
Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that two violations of NRC requirements occurred. These violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding them are described in detail in the subject inspection report. The first violation involved a failure to establish adequate bypassed and inoperable status indication for the low pressure core spray system. This violation was of concern because it was not identified during your Final Safety Analysis Report upgrade program. The second violation involved a security officer reading unauthorized material, which could detract from his shift responsibilities.

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for the violations and the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence is already adequately addressed on the docket in the enclosed inspection report. Therefore, you are not required to respond to this letter unless the description therein 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 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



Linda J. Smith, Acting Chief
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Division of Reactor Projects

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1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report
50-397/98-23

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