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Docket Nos. 50-528, 50-529 and 50-530

Arizona Public Service Company  
P. O. Box 53999, Sta. 9012  
Phoenix, Arizona 85072-3999

Attention: Mr. W. F. Conway  
Executive Vice President, Nuclear

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: SPECIAL INSPECTION OF PALO VERDE UNITS 1, 2, AND 3

This letter refers to the special inspection conducted by Messrs. A. D. Johnson and M. Cillis of this office on April 8, 1990, through April 13, 1990, and April 18 - 20, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Licenses NPF-41, NPF-51 and NPF-74 and to the discussion of our findings held by Messrs. Johnson and Cillis with Mr. D. R. Heinicke and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection was conducted to review two allegations related to radiation protection activities during the walkout by some radiological services technicians between the period of March 27, 1990, and April 5, 1990. The allegation, which was brought to Region V's attention on March 28, 1990, was brought to the licensee's attention by telephone and in a Region V letter dated March 28, 1990. The Region V letter requested the licensee to inform us of their findings regarding the allegations that were identified within 30 days. Areas examined during this inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

Three apparent violations were identified within the scope of this inspection. The violations are not being cited because the criteria specified in 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, Section V. G. of the Enforcement Policy were satisfied.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 (a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

Ross A. Scarano, Director  
Division of Radiation Safety  
and Safeguards

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Enclosure:  
Inspection Report Nos. 50-528/90-19, 50-529/90-19 and 50-530/90-19

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- Mr. Charles Tedford, Director, Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency  
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