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

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-528,529,530/93-43

This refers to the inspection conducted by J. Sloan, H. Freeman, and A. MacDougall of this office, and T. Alley, of the Department of Energy, on September 21 through November 1, 1993. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Palo Verde facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

The inspection identified two violations of NRC requirements, both involving the failure to follow procedures. You are commended for identifying and correcting the first violation, which involved performing a surveillance test using an outdated revision. The second violation involved a maintenance technician who inappropriately signed for a review that was required to be signed by the ASME Section XI pump and valve engineer. These violations were not cited because the enforcement discretion criteria in the Enforcement Policy were satisfied.

The inspection also noted several instances in which licensee personnel took appropriate actions in response to deficient conditions and followed plant procedures. These included: performing a thorough follow-up to a loose jam nut on an auxiliary feedwater pump; mounting a camera in the refueling canal to identify foreign objects; implementing appropriate corrective actions when an out-of-date procedure revision was identified; removal and inspection of a diesel generator bearing; and identification of error made during reconstitution of a fuel assembly.

Additionally, one violation is referenced in this inspection report regarding deficiencies you identified involving the performance of auxiliary operators. A Notice of Violation was separately issued on October 15, 1993, and no response was requested. The violation is listed in this report for administrative purposes only.

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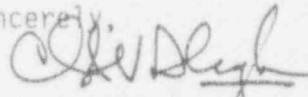
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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,



C. A. VanDenburgh, Chief  
Reactor Projects Branch

Enclosures:

Inspection Report Numbers 50-528,529,530/93-43

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