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Docket: STN 50-482/90-29

Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation

ATTN: Bart D. Withers

President and Chief Executive Officer

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## Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. D. Blair Spitzberg of this office and other accompanying personnel during the period August 27-31, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-42 for the Wolf Creek Generating Station, and to the discussion of our findings with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included the implementation of the emergency plan and procedures during the annual emergency response exercise. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

Within the scope of the inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

The enclosed inspection report identified exercise weaknesses in your emergency preparedness program. Weaknesses involved the following: Notification messages sent out to offsite authorities containing inaccurate information concerning the radiological release status, and inadequate emergency staff augmentation in the control room.

Exercise weaknesses according to 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix E.IV.F.5, are inspection findings that need to be corrected by the licensee. You are requested to provide this office with a description of your corrective measures and your schedule for completing these actions within 30 days after receipt of this letter.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

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

Sincerely,

Samuel J. Collins, Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: Appendix - NRC Inspection Report 50-482/90-29

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