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License No. DPR-34

Public Service Company of Colorado
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. J. B. Nicholas of this office and other accompanying personnel during the period November 6-8, 1990, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-34 for Fort St. Vrain Nuclear Generating Station, and to the discussion of our findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection on November 8, 1990.

Areas examined during the inspection included the implementation of your emergency plan and procedures during your 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.

Your staff's participation in the emergency exercise was considered satisfactory and assured that your emergency preparedness program was adequate to protect the health and safety of the public. However, the enclosed inspection report identifies several exercise weaknesses in your emergency preparedness program. Weaknesses involved the following: prompting by exercise controllers and observers, lack of approval of notification information, and poor health physics techniques used by the fire brigade/rescue team.

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 documented 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,

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Enclosure:
Appendix - NRC Inspection Report
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