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SUBJECT: NRC Combined Inspection Nos. 50-352/95-01; 50-353/95-01

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter transmits the findings of an announced inspection of the radiological controls program conducted at the Limerick Nuclear Generating Station by Mr. R. L. Nimitz of this office on January 9-13 and February 6-10, 1995. The findings of the inspection were discussed with Messrs. D. Helwig and R. Boyce and other individuals on January 13, 1995 and February 10, 1995. In addition, on February 15, 1995, Messrs. R. Nimitz, R. Bores, and L. Eckert met at the Limerick Station with members of your radiological controls organization. The purpose of the meeting was to allow us to better understand your program for radiological posting of the Unit 2 drywell and instruction of workers entering therein.

Areas reviewed during the inspection are important to health and safety and are discussed in the enclosed inspection report. The areas reviewed included previous findings, planning and preparation for the Unit 2 outage, program changes and enhancements, oversight of program activities, organization and staffing, training and qualifications, control of overtime, efforts to maintain radiation exposures as low as is reasonably achievable (ALARA), calibration of radiation detection and monitoring instrumentation, external and internal exposure controls, and radioactive material and contamination controls. The inspection principally focused on the adequacy and implementation of radiological controls for the Unit 2 refueling outage.

The overall results of the inspection indicated that your staff implemented an effective radiological controls program. Performance based observations of on-going radiological controls activities indicated very good oversight and control of these activities. The performance achieved by your ALARA program was noteworthy particularly as it related to your adaptation of innovative techniques to reduce personnel occupational radiation exposure. Overall external and internal occupational exposure controls and radioactive material and contamination controls were considered effective. The inspector determined that appropriately trained and qualified personnel were overseeing outage radiological control activities. Supervisor and management oversight of radiological work activities was considered generally very good.

Two violations of radiation protection procedures were identified. These violations were reviewed against the criteria for non-issuance of a Notice of Violation (NOV) outlined in the NRC's Enforcement Policy, 10 CFR Part 2,

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Appendix C. The violations, and your actions on them, met the criteria for non-issuance of an NOV. No other violations of NRC requirements were identified.

No response to this letter is required.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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