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Docket No. 50-483

Union Electric Company
ATTN: Mr. Donald F. Schnell
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Dear Mr. Schnell:

Enclosed for your review, prior to our scheduled meeting of April 22, 1992, is the Initial SALP 10 Report for the Callaway Nuclear Plant, covering the period February 1, 1990, through January 31, 1992.

In accordance with NRC policy, I have reviewed the SALP Board Assessment and concur with their ratings. I personally assessed all of the features, positive and negative, in the ratings for Radiological Controls and Safety Assessment/Quality Verification functional areas because of extensive debate required in these areas to achieve a consensus vote by the Board. After careful deliberation, I concluded that the Category 2 rating for Radiological Controls and the Category 1 declining rating for Safety Assessment/Quality Verification were appropriate.

In the area of Radiological Controls the SALP rating declined from a Category 1 to a Category 2. Contributing to this decline were the relatively high number of personnel contamination events and outage scheduling priorities which did not, in some cases, place appropriate emphasis on dose considerations.

In the area of Safety Assessment/Quality Verification a declining trend was noted, and in the area of Security the declining trend from the previous SALP was turned around.

Overall, your performance continues to be excellent with all other functional areas maintaining their previous Category 1 ratings. This is indicative of your continued commitment to safety.

At the SALP meeting, you should be prepared to discuss our assessments and any plans you may have to maintain your excellent performance. The meeting is intended to be a candid dialogue wherein any comments you have regarding our report are discussed. Additionally, you may provide written comments within 20 days after the meeting. Your comments, a summary of our meeting, and my disposition of your comments will be issued as the Final SALP Report.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the Initial SALP Report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning the Initial SALP Report, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Carl G. Papaculla for

A. Bert Davis
Regional Administrator

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