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SUBJECT: HOPE CREEK HARDENED VENT INSPECTION NO. 50-354/95-09

Dear Mr. Eliason:

This letter transmits the results of the safety inspection conducted by Ms. Beth Korona and Ms. Brenda Whitacre of this office from May 23-26, 1995, at Hope Creek Generating Station. The inspection focused on issues important to public health and safety, specifically, the modification implemented in response to NRC Generic Letter 89-16, "Installation of a Hardened Wetwell Vent." At the conclusion of the onsite inspection, the preliminary findings were discussed with Mr. Joseph Hagan and other members of your staff.

Our inspection found that the torus vent system was designed in accordance with the NRC-approved BWR Owners' Group guidelines and supported by a thorough 10 CFR 50.59 review and safety evaluation. The system was installed in accordance with the design package and system components are being appropriately tested. Comprehensive emergency operating procedures were available to direct the initiation and termination of venting. Licensed operators were knowledgeable of the design, function, and operation of the system.

No response to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us is appreciated and we would be pleased to discuss our findings and conclusions.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
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