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Union Electric Company
ATTN: Mr. W. E. Cornelius
President and Chief
Executive Officer
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the meeting in your office on June 13, 1984 between me and C. E. Norelius and R. L. Spessard of my staff with you and E. Dille and D. Schnell of your staff. In recognition of Union Electric Company's receipt of an operating license for the Callaway station, the purpose of the meeting was to provide our observations on some key elements for successful regulatory performance at operating reactors, to discuss the importance of good communications between NRC and Union Electric, and to explain NRC inspection and reporting practices for operating facilities.

We recognize that the Callaway project has had a good regulatory performance during its construction and preoperational testing phases, and urged continued attention by Union Electric management as the plant moves into its operating phase. In particular, we urged that startup testing be conducted in a very deliberate manner and that a disciplined approach and conservative operating philosophy be adopted as the plant moves into operations. With regard to communications, we indicated our desire to receive prompt communications from the company for any event that may be reportable by regulatory requirements or may otherwise be of interest to the NRC. We specifically described some of the internal methods which we have for reporting events that occur at the plant and our normal method of responding to these events.

I felt the meeting was beneficial in getting to know you personally. I also appreciated the view you expressed regarding your intent to maintain an active involvement in assuring a safe and conservative operation of the Callaway facility.

Sincerely,

Original signed by James G. Kappler

James G. Keppler Regional Administrator

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