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SUBJECT: NRC ROUTINE RADIATION PROTECTION INSPECTION REPORTS

50-456/98013(DRS); 50-457/98013(DRS)

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On August 14, 1998, the NRC completed an inspection at your Braidwood Generating Station, Units 1 and 2. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to radiation safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress. Specifically, the inspection focused on your chemistry program and your preparation for the radiological challenges of the steam generator replacement project. No violations of NRC requirements were identified.

The radiation protection preparation for the steam generator replacement project was appropriate and addressed the radiological hazards associated with the project. We also observed good communications and coordination between the station radiation protection group and the contract radiation protection personnel.

Chemistry program performance was adequate with strengths noted in the water chemistry programs and the laboratory comparison programs. Both technicians and chemists were knowledgeable of procedural and program requirements. Improvements from the last NRC chemistry inspection were observed in post accident sampling processes and the quality control program.

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Sincerely,

Original /s/ J. A. Grobe John A. Grobe, Director Division of Reactor Safety

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