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November 4, 1998

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF REPOSE TO GENERIC LETTER 97-05 FOR JOSEPH M. FARLEY
 NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 (TAC NOS. MA0464 AND MA0465)

Dear Mr. Morey:

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Sincerely,
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