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G. R. Horn, Senior Vice President
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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50 298/99-301

Dear Mr. Horn:

On February 12, 1999, an operator licensing certification inspection was conducted at your Cooper Nuclear Station reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

The inspection included an evaluation of four applicants for a reactor operator license. This was a licensee-authored retake written examination only that did not involve an NRC site visit. We determined that the four applicants satisfied the requirements of 10 CFR Part 55, and the appropriate licenses have been issued.

The written examination was adequate for administration as submitted. Minor enhancement comments to a number of questions were adequately addressed by your staff.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Arthur T. Howell III, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

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50-298/99-301

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