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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-602/98-201

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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.

Your cooperation is appreciated. Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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