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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION IV  
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August 20, 2020

EA-19-054

Mr. G. T. Powell  
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STP Nuclear Operating Company  
P.O. Box 289  
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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT 05000498/2020090;  
05000499/2020090, APPARENT VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Powell:

On July 6, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued an apparent violation to STP Nuclear Operating Company for the failure to maintain a quality record complete and accurate in all material respects.

The NRC Inspection Report 05000498/2020090; 05000499/2020090 (NRC Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML20188A214) informed you that before the NRC makes its enforcement decision, we are providing you an opportunity to (1) respond in writing to the apparent violation addressed in this inspection report within 30 days of the date of this letter, (2) request a predecisional enforcement conference (PEC), or (3) request alternative dispute resolution (ADR). In a letter, dated August 5, 2020, you provided your response to the apparent violation (ADAMS Accession No. ML20218A448). We have reviewed the information provided in your response with respect to your completed and proposed actions.

On August 6, 2020, the NRC held a closed PEC with a former contract employee of STP Nuclear Operating Company (ADAMS Accession No. ML20209A612). During this conference, new information was presented to the NRC that is germane to our determination of the significance of the apparent violation in Inspection Report 05000498/2020090; 05000499/2020090.

The NRC will evaluate this new information and inform you in separate correspondence of our final determination of the significance of the apparent violation.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedures," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for

public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's ADAMS, accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Josey, Chief,  
Reactor Project Branch A  
Division of Reactor Projects

Docket Nos. 05000498 and 05000499  
License Nos. NPF-76 and NPF-80

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