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November 30, 2020

Mr. Darrell Corbin  
Vice President, Operations  
Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.  
Palisades Nuclear Plant  
27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway  
Covert, MI 49043-9530

SUBJECT: PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT – CYBER SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT  
05000255/2020402

Dear Mr. Corbin:

On November 5, 2020, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at Palisades Nuclear Plant. On November 16, 2020, the NRC inspectors discussed the results of this inspection with Mr. D. Lucy, General Manager, Plant Operations and other members of your staff. The results of this inspection are documented in the enclosed report.

Two findings of very low security significance (Green) are documented in this report. Two of these findings involved violations of NRC requirements. We are treating these violations as non-cited violations (NCVs) consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violations or the significance or severity of the violations documented in this inspection report, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III; the Director, Office of Enforcement; the Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; and the NRC Resident Inspector at Palisades Nuclear Plant.

The following cross cutting aspect was assigned to findings using Inspection Manual Chapter 0310 "Aspects Within Cross Cutting Areas:" two [H.8] - Procedure Adherence.

If you disagree with a cross-cutting aspect assignment in this report, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your disagreement, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III; the Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; and the NRC Resident Inspector at Palisades Nuclear Plant.

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Sincerely,

James D. Beardsley, Acting Chief  
Engineering Branch 3  
Division of Reactor Safety

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