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June 28, 2022

Mr. John Dent, Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Nebraska Public Power District 72676 648A Avenue Brownville, NE 68321

SUBJECT: COOPER NUCLEAR STATION – SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000298/2022403

Dear Mr. Dent:

On April 8, 2022, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at Cooper Nuclear Station. Additional offsite inspection related activities continued through June 15, 2022, when the results of this inspection were discussed with Mr. Bill Chapin, Director Nuclear Safety Assurance and other members of your staff. The results of this inspection are documented in the enclosed report.

One finding of very low security significance (Green) is documented in this report. This finding involved a violation of NRC requirements. We are treating this violation as a non-cited violation (NCV) consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violation or the significance or severity of the violation 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 IV; the Director, Office of Enforcement; the Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; and the NRC Resident Inspector at Cooper Nuclear Station.

The following cross cutting aspect was assigned to a finding using Inspection Manual Chapter 0310 "Aspects Within Cross Cutting Areas:" [H.12] - Avoid Complacency.

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 IV; the Director, Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; and the NRC Resident Inspector at Cooper Nuclear Station.

This letter will be made available for public inspection and copying at http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html and at the NRC Public Document Room in accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations 2.390, "Public Inspections, Exemptions, Requests for Withholding."

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The enclosed report contains Security-Related Information, so the enclosed report will not be made publicly available in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 2.390(d)(1). If you choose to provide a response that contains Security-Related Information, please mark your entire response "Security-Related Information—Withhold from public disclosure under 10 CFR 2.390" in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(d)(1) and follow the instructions for withholding in 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1). The NRC is waiving the affidavit requirements for your response in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1)(ii).

Sincerely,

Ray Kellar) Signed by Kellar, Ray on 06/28/22

Ray L. Kellar, P.E., Chief Physical Security Branch Division of Radiological Safety & Security

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