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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-298/99-13

Dear Mr. Swailes:

This refers to the inspection conducted on August 29 through October 9 at the Cooper Nuclear Station facility. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

The inspectors examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to safety and to compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. Within these areas, the inspectors examined a selection of procedures and representative records, observed activities, and conducted interviews with personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that one violation of NRC requirements occurred. This violation is being treated as a noncited violation (NCV), consistent with the Interim Enforcement Policy for pilot plants. The NCV is described in the subject inspection report. If you contest this violation, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001; with a copies to the Regional Administrator, Region IV; the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Cooper facility.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure, and your response, if requested, 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charles S. Marschall".

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