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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-458/00-02

Dear Mr. Edington:

The purpose of this letter is to announce our corrective action program inspection at your River Bend Station facility. We have scheduled inoffice inspection for the week of January 10, 2000, and onsite inspection for the weeks of January 17 and 31, 2000. The designated inspection leader, Mr. Tom Stetka of this office, has telephonically discussed the inspection plans in more detail with Mr. Dave Lorfing of your staff.

The inspection will evaluate the effectiveness of your activities for identifying, resolving, and preventing issues that degrade the quality of plant operations or safety. The inspection will be conducted using Inspection Procedure 40500, "Effectiveness of Licensee Process to Identify, Resolve, and Prevent Problems." This inspection will involve a total of four NRC personnel and one contractor.

The inspection team will require information about your corrective actions program and implementation for inoffice preparation and inspection. A description of the material that will be needed is enclosed. Mr. Stetka has contacted Mr. Lorfing and arranged for specific material to be available to the team by January 7, 2000.

If you have any questions concerning this inspection, please contact Mr. Stetka at 817/860-8247 or myself at 817/860-8159.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John L. Pellet".

John L. Pellet, Chief
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ENCLOSURE

Initial Material Requested for the 40500 Inspection

Lists of all corrective action documents (e.g., Condition Reports (CRs), Engineering Requests (ERs), and Maintenance Action Items (MAIs), etc.), issued over the past 12 months.

All major corrective action documents (i.e., those that subsume or roll-up one or more smaller issues), for the last 12 months.

All corrective action documents for the past 12 months associated with:

- Plant transients and the equipment malfunctions that initiated them or that were previously written on the same equipment;
- External operating experience, especially vendor information not included in plant procedures and documents;
- Procedure adherence problems;
- Procedure adequacy problems;
- Maintenance rule implementation, including specifically, those documents providing information on those SSCs that have changed from Category (a)(1) to (a)(2) and vice-versa;
- Operator workarounds;
- The automatic depressurization system (ADS), the 480V and 4160V circuit breakers, and the standby service water system; and
- Non-escalated no response required or non-cited violations and associated tracking information.

All corrective action program assessments for the last 12 months.

All corrective action program tracking and effectiveness internal reports or metrics, for the last 12 months.

Description of any informal systems, especially used by operations, for issues that are below the threshold of the formal corrective action system and a listing of the content of those systems.

All policies or procedures governing or applying to the corrective action program and the industry events analysis program, including procedures that provide direction for the initiation of ERs and MAIs.

Emergency preparedness drill critique minutes for the last 12 months.

Radiation protection logs for the period of May 1, 1999, to the present.

The following specific condition reports and their supporting documentation:

- 98-0991
- 98-1001
- 98-1004
- 99-0056
- 99-0630
- 99-0875
- 99-0885
- 99-0890
- 99-1080
- 99-1135
- 99-1557
- 99-1583
- 99-1623
- 99-1646
- 99-1653
- 99-1657
- 99-1672
- 99-1667
- 99-1810

Documentation and applicable condition reports for the following NRC identified items:

- 50-458/9909-01, 02, 03, 04 (NCVs)
- 50-458/99816-03 (IFI)
- EA 98-478/01013
- EA 98-478/02013
- EA 97-497/01013
- EA 97-497/02013
- EA 97-497/02023
- EA 97-497/02033