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SUBJECT: GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1 (GGNS) RE: REPORT ON
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) STAFF AUDIT OF
RESOLUTION OF ISSUES IDENTIFIED IN NRC BULLETIN 96-03
(TAC NO. M96147)

Dear Mr. Eaton:

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We are providing you this NRC memorandum and LANL report for the purpose of identifying whether or not they contain any proprietary information pursuant to 10 CFR 2.790. Please respond within 60 days of the date of this letter supplying a bracketed non-proprietary copy and affidavit providing the reasons that you consider any of this information to be proprietary. This request was discussed with your staff and agreed to on September 15, 2000.

Sincerely,

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