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Dear Mr. Scarola:

SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT FOLLOWUP - SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

On February 2, 2001, you were informed by the NRC that the finding involving the 'C' Charging/Safety Injection Pump (CSIP) failed outboard thrust bearing, resulting in the pump being inoperable for a time in excess of the Technical Specification (TS) Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) action statement requirements, was characterized as White. The High Pressure Injection System Unavailability performance indicator (PI) was also White based on the 'C' CSIP being inoperable. The NRC considers this to be a single White issue within the mitigating systems cornerstone because the PI and Significance Determination Process characterization both concern the same underlying issue. Therefore, in accordance with the Action Matrix of the NRC Reactor Oversight Process, we will conduct a supplemental inspection to better understand the causes contributing to your decline in performance.

This letter is to inform you that we plan to perform the supplemental inspection at your facility from February 26 to March 2, 2001, to review your actions to address these performance issues.

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If you have any questions, please call me at (404) 562-4560.

Sincerely,  
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