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SUBJECT: GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION - NRC SECURITY INSPECTION
REPORT 05000416/2012403

Dear Mr. Perito:

On November 1, 2012, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at your Grand Gulf Nuclear Station. The inspection covered one or more of the key attributes of the security cornerstone of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on November 1, 2012, with you and other members of your staff.

The inspection examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license. The inspector reviewed selected procedures and records, observed activities, and interviewed personnel.

One NRC identified finding of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Physical Protection Significance Determination Process) was identified during this inspection. The deficiency was promptly corrected or compensated for, and the plant was in compliance with applicable physical protection and security requirements within the scope of this inspection before the inspector left the area. The finding was determined to involve a violation of NRC requirements. However, the NRC is treating the violation as a noncited violation (NCV) consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violation or the significance of the NCV, 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 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 Inspectors at Grand Gulf Nuclear Station.

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One cross-cutting aspect was assigned to the finding in the area of human performance, associated with procedural compliance, because a member of the security force failed to follow procedures [H4.b].

If you disagree with the 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 Regional Administrator, Region IV; and the NRC Resident Inspectors at Grand Gulf Nuclear Station.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division of Reactor Safety

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NRC Inspection Report 05000416/2012403
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