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SUBJECT: FINAL SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION FOR A WHITE FINDING
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-254/2000-201 AND 50-265/2000-201)
AT QUAD CITIES

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with the final results of our significance determination of the preliminary White finding identified in the subject inspection report. Inspection findings were assessed using the significance determination process and were preliminarily characterized as White, i.e., an issue with low to moderate importance to safety, which may require additional NRC inspection. This White finding involved the loss of target sets in two scenarios due to specific deficiencies associated with procedures, training and the protective strategy. This finding, while potentially repeatable, was not considered to be a broad programmatic problem.

In a telephone conversation with Ms. Vonna Ordaz of NRC, on February 8, 2001, Mr. Wally Beck, the Quad Cities Regulatory Assurance Manager, indicated that Quad Cities declined the opportunity to discuss this issue in a Regulatory Conference.

After considering the information developed during the inspection, in letters to the NRC, and additional information you provided at the exit meetings, the NRC has concluded that the inspection finding is appropriately characterized as White.

You have 10 business days from the date of this letter to appeal the staff's determination of significance for the identified white finding. Such appeals will be considered to have merit only if they meet the criteria given in NRC Inspection Manual Chapter 0609, Attachment 2.

Because plant performance for this issue has been determined to be in the regulatory response column, we will use the NRC Action Matrix to determine the most appropriate NRC response for this finding. We will notify you, by separate correspondence, of that determination.

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Sincerely,

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