

August 27, 2003

Mr. John L. Skolds, President
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SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE ASSESSMENT LETTER - LASALLE COUNTY STATION
(REPORT 50-373/04-01; 50-374/04-01)

Dear Mr. Skolds:

On July 30, 2003, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of the LaSalle County Station. The mid-cycle review for LaSalle involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period July 1, 2002 through June 20, 2003. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections that may conflict with your plant activities.

Overall, LaSalle operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and fully met all cornerstone objectives. Plant performance for the most recent quarter, as well as for the first three quarters of the assessment cycle, was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2004.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspection scheduled through September 30, 2004. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance or inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The inspections in the last 6 months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at 630-829-9629 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Bruce L Burgess, Chief
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Division of Reactor Projects

Docket Nos. 50-373; 50-374
License Nos. NPF-11; NPF-18

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Lasalle
Inspection / Activity Plan
09/01/2003 - 09/30/2004

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates Start	Planned Dates End	Inspection Type
	71111.11 - LIC OPERATOR REQUAL PROGRAM EVALUATION		2			
1,2	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification		10/06/2003	10/10/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71121.01 - RADIOLOGICAL ACCESS CONTROL INSP		1			
1,2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		11/03/2003	11/07/2003	Baseline Inspections
1,2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		11/03/2003	11/07/2003	Baseline Inspections
	MR - MAINTENANCE RULE		1			
1,2	IP 7111112B	Maintenance Effectiveness		11/17/2003	11/21/2003	Baseline Inspections
	ISI - ISI FOR UNIT 1		1			
1,2	IP 7111108G	Inservice Inspection Activities - BWR		01/19/2004	01/23/2004	Baseline Inspections
	OUTAGE - OUTAGE ALARA INSPECTION		1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		01/19/2004	01/23/2004	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		01/19/2004	01/23/2004	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		01/19/2004	01/23/2004	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - RP INSTRUMENTATION		1			
1,2	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		02/09/2004	02/13/2004	Baseline Inspections
1,2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		02/09/2004	02/13/2004	Baseline Inspections
	71114 - EP EXERCISE & PI VERIFICATION		3			
1,2	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation		03/08/2004	03/12/2004	Baseline Inspections
1,2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		03/08/2004	03/12/2004	Baseline Inspections
	HT SNK B - HEAT SINK BIENNIAL (DRS)		1			
1,2	IP 7111107B	Heat Sink Performance		03/15/2004	03/19/2004	Baseline Inspections
	REMP - REMP INSPECTION		1			
1	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program		05/03/2004	05/07/2004	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		05/03/2004	05/07/2004	Baseline Inspections
	INSTRU - RADIATION PROTECTION INSTRUMENTATION		1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		08/16/2004	08/20/2004	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		08/16/2004	08/20/2004	Baseline Inspections