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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT 040-02259/05-001 AND
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Hardgrove:

Thank you for your letter of August 30, 2005, in response to our August 9, 2005, letter and Notice of Violation. We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to the concerns raised in our Notice. We will review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection to determine that full compliance has been achieved and will be maintained.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, contact Ms. Judith Walker at (817) 860-8299 or the undersigned at (817) 860-8197.

Sincerely,

/RA R. Torres for/

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