

August 10, 2011

The Honorable Edward J. Markey  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Markey:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of May 13, 2011, regarding a recent scram at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station and seeking information about all scrams in the U.S. over the past 10 years. You also posed several questions arising out of recent events in Japan.

Enclosed with this letter are our responses to your inquiries. As discussed with your staff, our investigation of the recent scram at Pilgrim is still underway; therefore we are providing only a partial response to that information request at this time. When the investigation of the scram is complete, we will be able to provide a more complete response.

If you have any additional questions, please contact me or Ms. Rebecca Schmidt, Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, at (301) 415-1776.

Sincerely,

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Gregory B. Jaczko

Enclosure:  
As stated