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February 9, 2012

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SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT ENERGY CENTER – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION REPORT
05000247/2011404 AND 05000286/2011405

Dear Mr. Ventosa:

On December 31, 2011, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a focused Problem Identification and Resolution inspection at your Indian Point Energy Center (IPEC). 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 January 19, 2012, with you and other members of your staff.

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

Two NRC identified findings of very low security significance (i.e., Green as determined by the Baseline Security Significance Determination Process) were identified during this inspection. The deficiencies were 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 inspectors left the site.

These findings were determined to involve violations of NRC requirements. Further, a licensee-identified violation which was determined to be of very low security significance is listed in this report. However, the NRC is treating these violations as non-cited violations (NCVs) consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy.

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Two cross-cutting aspects were assigned to the findings in the area of Problem Identification and Resolution because Entergy's programs were not effective in: (1) periodically trending and assessing information from the corrective action program and other assessments in aggregate to identify programmatic and common cause problems [P.1(b)] and, (2) taking appropriate corrective actions to address safety issues in a timely manner, commensurate with their security significance [P.1(d)]. If you disagree with a 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 I and the NRC Resident Inspector at Indian Point Energy Center.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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Plant Support Branch 1
Division of Reactor Safety

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Inspection Report 05000247/2011404 and 05000286/2011405
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