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SUBJECT: JOSEPH M. FARLEY NUCLEAR PLANT – NRC TEMPORARY INSTRUCTION
2515/186 INSPECTION REPORT – 05000348/2014405 AND 5000364/2014405

Dear Ms. Gayheart:

On March 6, the U.S. the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at your Joseph M. Farley Plant using Temporary Instruction 2515/186, "Inspection of Procedures and Processes for Responding to Potential Aircraft Threats." On March 6, the NRC inspector discussed the results of this inspection with you and other members of your staff. The inspector documented the results of this inspection in the enclosed inspection report.

The objective of this inspection was to assess the implementation procedures and processes of the Joseph M. Farley Plant that are required by Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR), Part 50.54(hh)(1), which provides the requirements for responding to a potential aircraft threat. The results from this inspection, along with the results from this inspection performed at other operating commercial nuclear plants in the United States, will be used to evaluate the U.S. nuclear industry's readiness to safely respond to similar events. These results will also help the NRC to determine if additional regulatory actions are warranted.

No NRC-identified or self-revealing findings were identified during this inspection. However, the inspector documented one licensee-identified violation, which was determined to be of very low safety significance in this report. The NRC is treating this violation as a non-cited violation (NCV) consistent with Section 2.3.2.a of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violation or significance of the NCV, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region II; the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S.

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Sincerely,

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Eugene F. Guthrie, Chief
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