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October 9, 2014

Mr. Anthony Vitale Vice President, Operations Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Palisades Nuclear Plant 27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway Covert, MI 49043-9530

SUBJECT: PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT

NRC SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000255/2014407

Dear Mr. Vitale:

On August 26, 2014, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security baseline inspection of your Palisades Nuclear Plant. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on August 26, 2014, with you and other members of your staff during a telephone exit meeting.

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

No NRC-identified or self-revealing findings were identified during this inspection.

However, the inspector documented a licensee-identified violation that was determined to be of very low security significance (Green) 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 and/or disagreement, to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region III; the Director, Office of Enforcement, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC resident inspector at the Palisades Nuclear Plant.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

/RA By Joseph Maynen Acting for/

Richard A. Skokowski, Chief Plant Support Branch Division of Reactor Safety

Docket No. 50-255 License No. DPR-20

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