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November 22, 2016

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SUBJECT: COOPER NUCLEAR STATION – NRC SECURITY INSPECTION  
REPORT 05000298/2016403

Dear Mr. Limpias:

On October 14, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a security inspection at the Cooper Nuclear Station and 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 NRC inspectors documented one finding of very low security significance (Green) in this report. This finding involved a violation of NRC requirements. The NRC is treating this violation as a non-cited violation consistent with Section 2.3.2.a of the Enforcement Policy.

If you contest the violation or significance of the non-cited violation, 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 IV; the Director, Office of Enforcement; Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response; and the NRC resident inspector at the Cooper Nuclear Station.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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Division of Reactor Safety

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