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Mr. Brian Boles  
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SUBJECT: DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION  
TEMPORARY INSTRUCTION 2800/041, "10 CFR PART 37, PHYSICAL  
PROTECTION OF CATEGORY 1 AND CATEGORY 2 QUANTITIES OF  
RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL AT FACILITIES WITH A 10 CFR PART 73, PHYSICAL  
PROTECTION PROGRAM"; INSPECTION REPORT AND EXERCISE OF  
ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION 05000346/2016403

Dear Mr. Boles:

On October 18, 2016, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at your Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station using Temporary Instruction 2800/041, "Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Part 37, Physical Protection of Category 1 and Category 2, Quantities of Radioactive Material at Facilities with a 10 CFR Part 73, Physical Protection Program." The enclosed inspection report documents the results of the inspection, which were discussed on October 18, 2016, with you and other members of your staff.

One licensee-identified violation, which was determined to be of very low significance (Severity Level IV), is documented in this report. This violation met the criteria specified in NRC Enforcement Guidance Memorandum 14-001, "Interim Guidance for Dispositioning 10 CFR Part 37, Violations with Respect to Large Components or Robust Structures Containing Category 1 or Category 2 Quantities of Material at Power Reactor Facilities Licensed under 10 CFR Parts 50 and 52." Therefore, I have been authorized, after consultation with the Director, Office of Enforcement, and the Regional Administrator, to exercise enforcement discretion for this violation and the NRC is not taking enforcement action for the noncompliance.

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Sincerely,

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Kenneth G. O'Brien, Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

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