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Mr. Anthony E. McFadden
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SUBJECT: NRC OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 3-2017-010

Dear Mr. McFadden:

This refers to an investigation conducted by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI) to determine whether a security officer at the G.E. Hitachi Independent Spent Fuel Facility in Morris, Illinois was discriminated against by management for raising safety concerns. Based on the evidence developed during the investigation, we did not substantiate the allegation. The synopsis from the OI Report of Investigation is enclosed.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact an NRC Region III Office Allegation Coordinator by calling (800) 522-3025. The NRC Region III Office Allegation Coordinators are Jim Heller, Paul Pelke, and Sarah Bakhsh.

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Sincerely,

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Steven Orth, Chief
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Enclosure:
OI Synopsis

Letter to A. McFadden from S. Orth; dated August 1, 2018

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OI SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated on June 12, 2017, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations, Region III, to determine whether a security officer at the G.E. Hitachi Independent Spent Fuel Storage Facility (G.E. Morris) in Morris, Illinois, was discriminated against by management for raising safety concerns.

Based on the evidence developed, the allegation that a security officer at G.E. Morris was discriminated against by management for raising safety concerns was not substantiated.