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November 1, 2019

Mr. Scott Sharp
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SUBJECT: PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2:
SECURITY BASELINE INSPECTION REPORT 05000282/2019413 AND
05000306/2019413

Dear Mr. Sharp:

On October 3, 2019, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed an inspection at Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units 1 and 2 and discussed the results of this inspection with you and other members of your staff. The results of this inspection are documented in the enclosed report.

One finding of very low safety significance (Green) is documented in this report. This finding involved a violation of NRC requirements. We are treating this violation as a non-cited violation (NCV) consistent with Section 2.3.2 of the Enforcement Policy.

One cross-cutting aspect was assigned to the finding in the area of Human Performance. Specifically, because Prairie Island individuals did not use a consistent, systematic approach to make decisions, risk insights were not incorporated as appropriate. [H.13]

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

Sincerely,

/RA/

Steven K. Orth, Chief
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Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 05000282 and 05000306
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