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References: NUREG/CR-6190, Dated December 1, 1994, "Protection Against Malevolent Use of Vehicles at Nuclear Power Plants Vehicle Barrier Systems Sighting Guidance For Blast Protection"

NUREG-0908, Dated August 1, 1982, "Acceptance Criteria For the Evaluation of Nuclear Power Reactor Security Plans"

Dear Sirs:

**Subject: Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS)
Units 1, 2, and 3
Docket Nos. STN 50-528/529/530
PVNGS Physical Security Plan Amendment 40**

In accordance with the above referenced regulations, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), has incorporated a change to the PVNGS Physical Security Plan to add a description for protection against the malevolent use of vehicles and reformat the entire Plan.

Enclosed please find an original and three copies of Amendment 40 to the PVNGS Physical Security Plan. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.4(b)(4)(iii) and by copy of this letter, APS is forwarding two copies of Amendment 40 to the Regional Administrator, NRC Region IV.

This amendment does not decrease the effectiveness of the PVNGS Physical Security Plan and, therefore, is being made pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(p). A summary of the changes is included in Enclosure 1, a justification of changes is included in Enclosure 2 and the original of the PVNGS Physical Security Plan, Amendment 40, is included in Enclosure 3.

APS has determined that the original of the PVNGS Physical Security Plan contains Safeguards Information and is subject to the controls of 10 CFR 73.21. These pages,

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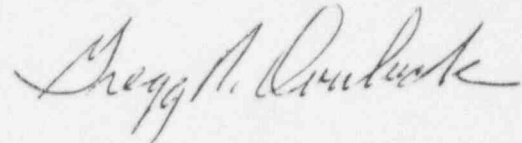
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so designated, are to be withheld from public disclosure in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.790(d) and should not be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Angela Krainik at (602) 393-5421.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures:

1. Summary of Changes to the PVNGS Physical Security Plan
2. Justification of Changes to the PVNGS Physical Security Plan
3. Amendment 40 to the PVNGS Physical Security Plan

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