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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this examination, please contact me on (301) 415-2170.

Sincerely,

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Docket No. 50-170

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