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The Honorable Nunzio Palladino
Chairman
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Chairman,

Thank you for arranging for members of your staff to brief the Kansas congressional delegation concerning NRC oversight of the Wolf Creek project. The meeting was helpful in furthering my understanding of the progress of the Wolf Creek project. The presentation, however, left me with several questions that I wish to have resolved.

I would appreciate your providing an explanation, including a chronology, describing the discovery of the problem of structural steel weld quality, steps taken to assure its resolution by the licensee, and actions taken by the NRC staff to determine whether the licensee's resolution was in accord with the applicable regulations. With regard to the problem welds, I am particularly interested in receiving an explanation of how the inspection was carried out upon welds that were covered with paint, and upon welds that were imbedded in concrete, and I would like to know if those inspections were carried out in accord with the applicable regulations.

It is my understanding, based upon the meeting I attended with your staff, that several investigations are underway with respect to missing, falsified, or erroneous records. Please inform me as to the status of each inquiry, including the date on which the inquiry began, the activities that have taken place since that date, and its estimated completion date.

I look forward to your prompt response.

Sincerely,

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