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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-456/96012; 50-457/96012
AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Stanley:

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Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

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Sincerely,

/s/John A. Grobe for

James L. Caldwell, Acting Director
Division of Reactor Projects

Docket Nos.: 50-456, 50-457
License Nos: NPF-72, NPF-77

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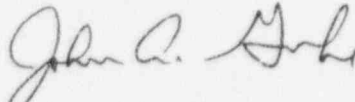
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