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SUBJECT: NRC BYRON SECURITY INSPECTION REPORTS NO. 50-454/96010(DRS);
50-455/96010(DRS)

Dear Mr. Graesser:

On October 25, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your Byron Nuclear Generating Plant reactor facility. The objective of the inspection effort was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

No violations of NRC requirements were noted in the areas inspected. Both the Access Authorization Program and the Vehicle Barrier System were effectively implemented, except for minor issues identified in the Report Details. The NRC inspector did however identify two issues we currently consider to be unresolved. One of the items pertained to the protection of safeguards information, and the other issue pertained to the effectiveness of measures in place to prevent circumventing controls in the security badge issue process. Resolution of these items will be addressed by separate correspondence.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Brent Clayton (for)

Geoffrey E. Grant, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

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