

November 14, 1996

Mr. Lew W. Myers
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SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-440/96010(DRS)

Dear Mr. Myers:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. J. L. Belanger and G. L. Pirtle of this office on September 23-27, 1996, of activities authorized for your Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1, facility. The focus of this inspection was implementation of your Access Authorization program. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures, representative records and interviews with personnel.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection, and within the scope of this inspection the Access Authorization Program adequately met the regulatory requirements of 10 CFR 73.56. Program strengths and weaknesses were noted and are addressed in the Report Details. Inspection results identified a considerable level of decentralization in the implementation and control of your access authorization program. Significant program responsibilities are vested in your self-screening contractors and different licensee organizations. While this approach meets regulatory requirements, excellent communication and overview are necessary to continue to implement the program in a successful manner.

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

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Brent Clayton (for)

Geoffrey E. Grant, Director
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