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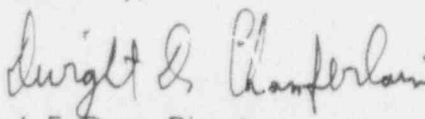
SUBJECT: SEMIANNUAL PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (SPPR) - COOPER NUCLEAR
STATION

On November 3, 1996, the NRC staff completed the Semiannual Plant Performance Review (SPPR) of Cooper Nuclear Station. The staff conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by NRC management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The SPPR for Cooper Nuclear Station involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period May through October. SPPRs provide NRC management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and Senior Management Meeting (SMM) reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Cooper Nuclear Station SPPR review. It is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. The enclosure details our inspection plan for the next 8 months. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the core inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reason for emphasis in these program areas. The regional initiative inspection scheduled is consistent with SALP assessments. A reactive inspection to review fire protection issues is also scheduled. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact E. Collins of my staff at (817) 860-8291.

Sincerely,


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Enclosure:
Inspection Plan

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ENCLOSURE

COOPER NUCLEAR STATION

INSPECTION PLAN

IP - Inspection Procedure

TI - Temporary Instruction

Core Inspection - Minimum NRC Inspection Program (mandatory all plants)

INSPECTION	TITLE/ PROGRAM AREA	NUMBER OF INSPECTORS	DATES	TYPE OF INSPECTION/COMMENTS
IP 40500	Effectiveness of Licensee Controls in Identifying and Resolving Problems	3	11/18-22/96 12/9-13/96	Core Inspection
IP 64704	Fire Protection	2	11/18-22/96	Reactive Inspection - Safe Shutdown Circuitry
IP 82301	EP Exercise	3	11/18-21/96	Full-Scale Exercise
IP 71001	Operator Requalification Inspection	2	12/2-6/96	Core Inspection
IP 81700	Physical Security	1	12/9-13/96	Core Inspection
IP 83728	ALARA	1	12/9-13/96	Regional Initiative
IP 73753	Inservice Inspection	1	4/7-12/97	Regional Initiative
TI 132	Malevolent Use of Vehicles	1	4/7-12/97	Safety Initiative