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SUBJECT: FERMI 2 - SAFETY EVALUATION OF PORTIONS OF REVISION 3, CHANGE 11 TO  
THE PUMP AND VALVE INSERVICE TESTING PROGRAM (TAC NO. M97306)

Dear Mr. Gipson:

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If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact me at (301) 415-2828.

Sincerely,

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