

April 21, 1997

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SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR) - BRAIDWOOD

Dear Mr. Stanley:

On March 10, 1997, the NRC staff completed the semiannual Plant Performance Review (PPR) of Braidwood Nuclear Generating 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 PPR for Braidwood involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period November 1996 to March 1997. PPRs 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.

During this review, no changes or trends in performance were identified that would warrant modifying the overall NRC inspection program at the Braidwood Station.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Braidwood PPR 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 six months. Also included in the plan are NRC non-inspection activities. 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. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

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We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact me at 630/829-9631.

Sincerely,

/s/ R. D. Lanksbury

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Enclosure: Inspection Plan

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**BRAIDWOOD  
INSPECTION/ACTIVITY PLAN**

IP - Inspection Procedure

TI - Temporary Instruction

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

INSPECTION/ ACTIVITY	TITLE/ PROGRAM AREA	NUMBER OF NRC INSPECTORS/ INDIVIDUALS	PLANNED DATES	TYPE OF INSPECTION/ACTIVITY- COMMENTS
IP 73753	Inservice Inspection	1	03/29/97- 05/22/97	Core Inspection Steam Generator Inspection
IP 83750	Occupational Radiation Exposure	1	04/17-30/97	Core Inspection
IP 86750	Radioactive Waste Processing	1	06/23-27/97	Core Inspection
TI 2515-133	Implementation of Revised 49 CFR Parts 100-179 and 10 CFR Part 71			Transportation of Radioactive Materials
N/A	Operational Safeguards Response Evaluation	7	07/14-17/97	Safeguards Team Evaluation
IP 71001	Licensed Operator Requal Training	2	08/11-15/97	Core Inspection
IP 87100	Security	1	09/22-26/97	Core Inspection
IP 83750	Occupational Radiation Exposure	1-2	10/27-31/97	Core Inspection
N/A	Initial Licensed Operator Examinations	3	10/06-10/97	