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SUBJECT: SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF LICENSEE PERFORMANCE (SALP)  
REPORT 50-483/97-99

Dear Mr. Randolph:

Enclosed for your review is the SALP report for the Callaway Plant for the period of April 30, 1995, through May 10, 1997. A public meeting to discuss this report with you and your staff has been scheduled at the Emergency Operations Facility and Visitors Center on July 2, 1997, at 2 p.m. (CDT). You are encouraged and expected, during this meeting, to candidly comment on our report. Although this meeting is a forum between Union Electric Company and the NRC, it will be open to observation by members of the public and other interested parties.

In accordance with NRC's policy, I have reviewed the recommendations of the SALP Board and concur with their ratings and views. The Operations functional area was rated as Category 2, reflecting good safety performance. The Maintenance, Engineering and Plant Support functional areas were rated as Category 1, having exhibited superior safety performance.

Overall performance in the area of operations was good, although some inconsistencies in performance were noted. While operators performed well during transient operations, these standards were not always maintained during routine activities and, while the response of the staff to emergency situations reflected good individual skills, the continual problems with procedural adherence and configuration control reflected an overall lack of attention to detail.

Performance in the Maintenance, Engineering, and Plant Support functional areas continued to be rated as Category 1, indicating superior safety focus. Interdepartmental communications and interfaces were effective, and the material condition of safety-related systems, structures, and components was good. However, there were several operational challenges which emanated from balance-of-plant equipment problems and occasional minor inconsistencies in program implementation and individual attention to detail.

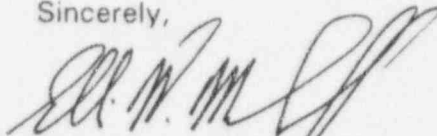
In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the SALP report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions or comments, I would be pleased to discuss them with you. While no written response is required, you may provide written comments within 30 days of the SALP meeting.

Sincerely,



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