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**SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT FOLLOW-UP - FITZPATRICK**

Dear Mr. Colomb:

Our review of the FitzPatrick second quarter 2000 performance identified that the White threshold has been crossed for the "Unplanned Power Changes Per 7000 Critical Hours" performance indicator (PI). Based on the unplanned power changes which occurred in August 2000, we believe that this PI will remain White during the third quarter of 2000 as well. Therefore, in accordance with the NRC's Action Matrix, we plan to perform a supplemental inspection in accordance with Inspection Procedure 95001 to review your root cause analyses associated with these performance issues.

In addition, we will consider the results of the Problem Identification and Resolution (P&IR) Inspection that we performed earlier this year to help focus this supplemental inspection. Please inform us within 20 days of receipt of this letter of your schedule for completing your evaluation of the issues so that we can schedule our inspection at an appropriate time.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (610) 337-5211.

Sincerely,

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