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SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER - PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER

STATION (REPORT 05000277/2006001 AND 05000278/2006001)

Dear Mr. Crane:

On February 6, 2006, the NRC staff completed its performance review of Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station. Our technical staff reviewed performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period from January 1 through December 31, 2005. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility.

This performance review and enclosed inspection plan do not include physical protection information. A separate letter designated and marked "Official Use Only - Security-Related Information" will include the physical protection review and resultant inspection plan.

Overall, Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3 operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and fully met all cornerstone objectives. Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct reactor oversight process (ROP) baseline inspections at your facility.

While plant performance at Unit 2 for the most recent quarter is within the Licensee Response column of the Action Matrix, there was a safety significant (White) performance indicator in the Initiating Events cornerstone which affected the first three quarters of the assessment cycle. Peach Bottom Unit 2 had three scrams with a Loss of Normal Heat Removal within twelve calendar quarters causing this PI to change from Green to White, which placed this unit in the Regulatory Response column. You performed root cause evaluations and corrective actions for each of the events, and we conducted an NRC Supplemental Inspection in December 2005, which concluded that your actions were appropriate.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, less those related to physical protection, scheduled through September 30, 2007. Planned inspections include an independent spent fuel storage installation inspection. The inspection plan is provided to allow for the resolution of

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any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues well in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The inspections in the last nine months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the mid-cycle review.

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact James Trapp at 610-337-5186 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Peach Bottom Inspection/ Activity Plan

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Unit No. of Staff **Planned Dates** Inspection on Site Start End Type Number Inspection Activity Title 7111401 EXERCISE EVALUATION & EP PI VERIFICATION 5 3 IP 7111401 **Exercise Evaluation** 04/24/2006 04/28/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 7111404 Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes 04/24/2006 04/28/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 71151 Performance Indicator Verification 04/24/2006 04/28/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 7111111B - LSRO REQUAL AN OPTEST @ LM 3 3 IP 7111111B Licensed Operator Requalification Program 05/29/2006 06/02/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 7111121 CDBI (COMPONENT DESIGN BASES INSPECTION) 7 3 IP 7111121 Component Design Bases Inspection 03/27/2006 03/31/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 7111121 Component Design Bases Inspection 03/27/2006 03/31/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7111121 Component Design Bases Inspection 04/10/2006 04/14/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 7111121 Component Design Bases Inspection 04/17/2006 04/21/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 71121 - OCCUPATIONAL RAD PROT 1 3 IP 7112101 Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas 04/17/2006 04/21/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112102 **ALARA Planning and Controls** 04/17/2006 04/21/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112103 Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment 04/17/2006 04/21/2006 Baseline Inspections **ISFSI** - ISFSI 2 IP 60855.1 3 Operation of an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation at Operating Plants 05/01/2006 07/15/2006 Other Routine - MAINTENANCE RULE 7111112B 1 3 IP 7111112B Maintenance Effectiveness 07/17/2006 07/21/2006 Baseline Inspections 7111107B - HEAT SINK 2 IP 7111107B 3 Heat Sink Performance 07/24/2006 07/28/2006 Baseline Inspections 71121 - OCC RAD SAF 1 3 IP 7112101 Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas 08/07/2006 08/11/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112102 **ALARA Planning and Controls** 08/07/2006 08/11/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112103 Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment 08/07/2006 08/11/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 71121 - OCC RAD PROT 1 3 IP 7112101 Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas 09/25/2006 09/29/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112102 **ALARA Planning and Controls** 09/25/2006 09/29/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 7112103 Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment 09/25/2006 09/29/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 71121 - OCC RAD PROT 1 3 IP 7112101 Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas 11/13/2006 11/17/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 7112102 **ALARA Planning and Controls** 11/13/2006 11/17/2006 **Baseline Inspections** 3 IP 7112103 Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment 11/13/2006 11/17/2006 Baseline Inspections 3 IP 71151 Performance Indicator Verification 11/13/2006 11/17/2006 **Baseline Inspections**

This report shows only on-site and announced inspection procedures.

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Number	Inspection Activity	Title	on Site	Start	End	Туре
	7111111B - L.O.(P	WR.) REQUAL. PROG. + P/F REVIEW	3			
3	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program		02/26/2007	03/02/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program		03/05/2007	03/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71111117 - MODS	S AND 50.59	3			
3	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		03/05/2007	03/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7111117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		03/05/2007	03/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - OCC F	RAD SAFETY	1			
3	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		04/09/2007	04/13/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		04/09/2007	04/13/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		04/09/2007	04/13/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71152B - PI&R		4			
3	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		04/23/2007	04/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		05/14/2007	05/18/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71122 - PUBL	IC RAD PROT - RETS	1			
3	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		06/04/2007	06/08/2007	Baseline Inspections
	7112202 - PUB F	RAD SAFETY - RADWASTE	1			
3	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		06/18/2007	06/22/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71114 - EP PR	RGM INSP	1			
3	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System		07/23/2007	07/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
	7112203 - PUB F	RAD SAFETY - REMP	1			
3	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program (REMP) And Radioactive Material Control P		07/30/2007	08/03/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - OCC F	RAD SAFETY	1			
3	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections
3	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections