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May 29, 2001

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SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER - ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE (REPORT 50-313, 368/01-01)

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On May 8, 2001, the NRC staff completed its end-of- cycle plant performance assessment of Arkansas Nuclear One. The end-of-cycle review for Arkansas Nuclear One involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period April 2, 2000, to March 31, 2001. 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 so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.

Overall, Arkansas Nuclear One operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and fully met all cornerstone objectives. Plant performance for the most recent quarter, as well as for the first three quarters of the assessment cycle, 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 only baseline inspections at your facility through May 31, 2002.

Enclosure 1 details the scheduled inspections that will occur through May 31, 2002. The inspection plan 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. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

For your information, the NRC is in the process of aligning the inspection and assessment cycle with the calender year. In order to transition to a calender year cycle (January 1 through December 31), the next inspection and assessment cycle will consist of only three quarters (i.e., the second, third, and fourth calendar quarters of CY 2001). As a result, a quarterly review will be conducted for the third calendar quarter (July 1 through September 30) in lieu of a midcycle review. The impact on the inspection plan, which is included as an enclosure, is minimal. Activities planned for the transition cycle represent only 60-80 percent of those activities that would be accomplished during a typical 12-month inspection and assessment cycle.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

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 me at 817/860-8137 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Linda Joy Smith, Chief Project Branch D Division of Reactor Projects

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Enclosure: Arkansas Nuclear One Inspection/Activity Plan

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Arkansas Nuclear One Inspection / Activity Plan 06/01/2001 - 05/31/2002

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planne Start	d Dates End	Inspection Type
	EMB - FIRE	E PROTECTION INSPECTION	7			
1, 2	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection		06/11/2001	06/22/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-RP1 - ALA	RA PLANNING AND CONTROLS (3)	1			
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		05/29/2001	06/01/2001	Baseline Inspections
	EMB - SSD	& PC INSPECTION	8			
1, 2	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
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	EMB - ANC) 50.59	1			
1, 2	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	OB-RQ - REQ	QUAL INSP	2			
1, 2	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-EP1 - EAL	/EP & PIV	1			
1, 2	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		07/16/2001	07/20/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		07/16/2001	07/20/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-RP2 - RAD	MONITORING INSTRUMENTATION	1			
1, 2	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation		09/24/2001	09/28/2001	Baseline Inspections
	EMB - HEA	T SINK PERFORMANCE BIENNIAL	1			
1, 2	IP 7111107B	Heat Sink Performance		10/01/2001	10/05/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-RP3 - ALA	RA PLANNING AND CONTROLS (4)	1			
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		10/09/2001	10/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-S1 - RES	PONSE TO CONT EVENTS	4			
1, 2	IP 7113003	Response to Contingency Events (Protective Strategy and Implementation of Protective Strateg		10/15/2001	10/19/2001	Baseline Inspections
	OB-EXAMS - RO/	SRO EXAMS	4			
2	X02215	ANO-UNIT 2 - INITIAL EXAM (01/2002)		01/28/2002	02/01/2002	Not Applicable
2	X02215	ANO-UNIT 2 - INITIAL EXAM (01/2002)		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Not Applicable
	EMB - 50.5	9 INSPECTION	1			
1, 2	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-S1 - ACC	ESS AUTH/CONTROL, SEC PLAN & PIV	1			
1, 2	IP 7113001	Access Authorization Program (Behavior Observation Only)		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7113002	Access Control (Search of Personnel, Packages, and Vehicles: Identification and Authorizatior		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7113004	Security Plan Changes		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
	PSB-EP1 - EP E	EXERCISE BASELINE INSPECTION	3			
1, 2	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation		03/25/2002	03/29/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		03/25/2002	03/29/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		03/25/2002	03/29/2002	Baseline Inspections
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	RP-1 - ACRS	SA AND PIV	1			
1, 2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		04/15/2002	04/19/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		04/15/2002	04/19/2002	Baseline Inspections
	RP-2 - ALAR	A	1			
1, 2	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		04/15/2002	04/19/2002	Baseline Inspections
	EMB - INSE	RVICE INSPECTION	1			
1, 2	IP 7111108	Inservice Inspection Activities		04/22/2002	04/26/2002	Baseline Inspections
	EMB - MODI	FICATIONS BIENNIAL	2			
1, 2	IP 7111117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections
	TM-RP-P - RP TI	EAM INSPECTION PUBLIC	4			
1, 2	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections