

August 23, 2002

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SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN
PERRY NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

Dear Mr. Kanda:

On July 31, 2002, the NRC staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of Perry Nuclear Power Plant. The mid-cycle review for Perry involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period of January 1, 2002, through June 30, 2002. 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.

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 performance indicators indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2003.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections scheduled through September 30, 2003. 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. The inspection plan for the last six months is tentative and may be revised at the end of cycle review.

In addition, the NRC is in the process of finalizing a Temporary Instruction that will be used to review implementation of the Interim Compensatory Measures required by the Agency's Security Order to all commercial nuclear power plants dated February 25, 2002. Schedules have not yet been finalized, but it is anticipated that these inspections will begin within the next calendar quarter. Once finalized, the details will be communicated by separate correspondence.

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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 me at (630) 829-9703 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Perry Inspection/Activity Plan

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Inspection / Activity Plan
09/01/2002 - 09/30/2003

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates		Inspection Type
				Start	End	
	ICM TI	- SAFEGUARDS INTERIM COM MEASURES - ORDER	4			
1	IP 7113003	Response to Contingency Events (Protective Strategy and Implementation of Protective Strategy)		09/30/2002	10/04/2002	Baseline Inspections
	IP 71121	- RP INSTRUMENTATION INSPECTION	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		10/07/2002	10/11/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		10/07/2002	10/11/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		10/07/2002	10/11/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71111.11	- LIC OPERATOR REQUAL PROGRAM EVALUATION	2			
1	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification		10/28/2002	11/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
	HT SNK B	- HEAT SINK BIENNIAL (DRS)	1			
1	IP 7111107B	Heat Sink Performance		11/04/2002	11/08/2002	Baseline Inspections
	IP 71121	- OCCUPATIONAL RAD SAFETY INSPECTION	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		12/02/2002	12/06/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		12/02/2002	12/06/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		12/02/2002	12/06/2002	Baseline Inspections
	MR	- MAINTENANCE RULE	1			
1	IP 7111112B	Maintenance Effectiveness		12/09/2002	12/13/2002	Baseline Inspections
	FY 2003	- PERRY INIT PREP 12/2002	3			
1	W90060	OL - INITIAL EXAM - PERRY - DEC 2002/JAN 2003		01/06/2003	01/10/2003	Not Applicable
	FY 2003	- PERRY INIT EXAM 01/2003	3			
1	W90060	OL - INITIAL EXAM - PERRY - DEC 2002/JAN 2003		01/27/2003	02/07/2003	Not Applicable
	MOD50.59	- MODIFICATIONS & 50.59	4			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		02/10/2003	02/14/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		02/10/2003	02/14/2003	Baseline Inspections
	IP 71114	- NON-EXERCISE BASELINE EP INSPECTION	1			
1	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		02/24/2003	02/28/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		02/24/2003	02/28/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		02/24/2003	02/28/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		02/24/2003	02/28/2003	Baseline Inspections
	IP 71122	- RAD MATERIAL PROC/TRANS INSPECTION	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		03/10/2003	03/14/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		03/10/2003	03/14/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71111.01	- ADVERSE HOT WEATHER PROTECTION	2			
1	IP 7111101	Adverse Weather Protection		04/01/2003	06/30/2003	Baseline Inspections

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

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				Start	End	
	71111.06	- FLOOD PROTECTION MEASURES	2			
1	IP 7111106	Flood Protection Measures		04/01/2003	06/30/2003	Baseline Inspections
	7112102	- OUTAGE ALARA / ACCESS CONTROL	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		04/07/2003	04/11/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		04/07/2003	04/11/2003	Baseline Inspections
	ISI	- ISI	1			
1	IP 7111108	Inservice Inspection Activities		04/14/2003	04/18/2003	Baseline Inspections
	PI&R	- PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION AND RESOLUTION	3			
1	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		06/09/2003	06/27/2003	Baseline Inspections
	7112102	- ALARA OUTAGE REVIEW	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		09/15/2003	09/19/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/15/2003	09/19/2003	Baseline Inspections

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