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Mr. Michael Balduzzi Site Vice President Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station 600 Rocky Hill Road Plymouth, MA 02360-5508

# SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER - PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION (REPORT 05000293/2006001)

Dear Mr. Balduzzi:

On February 6, 2006, the NRC staff completed its performance review of Pilgrim Nuclear 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 as "Official Use Only - Security-Related Information" will include the physical protection review and resultant inspection plan.

Overall, Pilgrim 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 reactor oversight process (ROP) baseline inspections at your facility.

Additionally, on July 14, 2005, the staff issued a severity level III Notice of Violation in accordance with the NRC's Enforcement Policy regarding an inattentive control room supervisor. NRC inspectors reviewed the actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence, and found them acceptable as discussed in Inspection Report 05000293/2005005, dated February 3, 2006.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, less those related to physical protection, scheduled through September 30, 2007. The inspection plan is provided to allow for the resolution of 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 me at 610-337-5227 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

#### /RA/

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Enclosure: Pilgrim Inspection/ Activity Plan

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Unit		Title	No. of Staff	Planned		Inspection
Number			on Site	Start	End	Туре
	-	DBI	7			
1	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection		04/10/2006	04/14/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection		04/24/2006	04/28/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection		05/08/2006	05/12/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection		05/15/2006	05/19/2006	Baseline Inspections
		UB RAD SAFETY - RETS	1			
1	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		06/12/2006	06/16/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		06/12/2006	06/16/2006	Baseline Inspections
		RIENNIAL FIRE PROTECTION INSPECTION	3			
1	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]		07/24/2006	07/28/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]		08/07/2006	08/11/2006	Baseline Inspections
		CC RAD SAFETY	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		08/21/2006	08/25/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		08/21/2006	08/25/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		08/21/2006	08/25/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		08/21/2006	08/25/2006	Baseline Inspections
	7112202 - P	UB RAD SAFETY - RADWASTE	1			
1	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		09/25/2006	09/29/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		09/25/2006	09/29/2006	Baseline Inspections
	7111401 - E	XERCISE EVALUATION & EP PI VERIFICATION	6			
1	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation		10/23/2006	10/27/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		10/23/2006	10/27/2006	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - O	CC RAD SAFETY	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		12/11/2006	12/15/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		12/11/2006	12/15/2006	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		12/11/2006	12/15/2006	<b>Baseline Inspections</b>
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		12/11/2006	12/15/2006	Baseline Inspections
	2/26 EXM - O	PERATOR LICENSING INITIAL EXAMS	3			
1	U01637	PILGRIM INITIAL EXAM (FY07)		01/29/2007	02/02/2007	Not Applicable
1	U01637	PILGRIM INITIAL EXAM (FY07)		02/26/2007	03/01/2007	Not Applicable
	71121 - O	CC RAD PROT	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		02/05/2007	02/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		02/05/2007	02/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		02/05/2007	02/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		02/05/2007	02/09/2007	Baseline Inspections
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Unit			No. of Staff	Planne	d Dates	Inspection
Number	Inspection Activity	Title	on Site	Start	End	Туре
	7111108G - IN-SE	RVICE INSPECTION	1			
1	IP 7111108G	Inservice Inspection Activities - BWR		04/16/2007	04/19/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - OCC F	RAD SAFETY	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		04/23/2007	04/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		04/23/2007	04/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		04/23/2007	04/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		04/23/2007	04/27/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71152B - PI&R		4			
1	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		06/04/2007	06/08/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		06/18/2007	06/22/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71114 - EP PR	IGM INSP	1			
1	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System		06/11/2007	06/15/2007	Baseline Inspections
	7111111B - L.O. R	EQUAL. PROG. + P/F REVIEW	3			
1	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification Program		09/18/2007	09/21/2007	Baseline Inspections
	71111.12 - MAINT	TENANCE RULE	1			
1	IP 7111112B	Maintenance Effectiveness		07/16/2007	07/20/2007	Baseline Inspections
	MODS - MODS	AND 50.59	3			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		08/20/2007	08/24/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 711117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		08/20/2007	08/24/2007	Baseline Inspections
	7112203 - PUB R	RAD SAFETY - REMP	1			
1	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program (REMP) And Radioactive Material Control F		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		09/10/2007	09/14/2007	Baseline Inspections