

August 9, 2000

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Dear Mr. Kingsley:

SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT FOLLOW-UP - QUAD CITIES

On August 4, 2000, the NRC staff completed a review of the performance of the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station as reflected in the performance indicators for the second quarter of 2000. Our review identified that you have crossed the threshold from GREEN to WHITE for the safety system functional failure performance indicators for Units 1 and 2. Therefore, we plan to conduct additional (supplemental) inspection to better understand the causes contributing to your decline in performance.

This letter is to inform you that we will be conducting Supplemental Inspection Procedure (IP) 95001 to examine the safety system functional failure performance issues. This inspection will be combined with the supplemental inspection using IP 95002 already planned for August 14-25, 2000, as described in our annual assessment letter dated May 18, 2000. It is our understanding that you will have completed your evaluation of the decline in the performance indicators by August 14 in order to support our inspection. During this inspection we will review the results of your evaluation and will conduct an independent assessment of the extent of the condition associated with any identified root causes.

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