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Virginia Electric and Power Company ATTN: Mr. David A. Christian Senior Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Innsbrook Technical Center 5000 Dominion Boulevard Glen Allen, VA 23060

SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT FOLLOWUP - SURRY POWER STATION

Dear Mr. Christian:

In a Final Significance Determination letter, dated September 15, 2004, from Dr. William Travers, the Region II Regional Administrator, you were informed that the NRC had concluded that the final significance determination for a finding involving the alternative shutdown capability and response procedures specified for a fire in Emergency Switchgear and Relay Room Numbers 1 or 2, of Surry Power Station Units 1 and 2 respectively, had been characterized as White (i.e., an issue of low to moderate safety significance, which may require additional NRC inspection). Also in this letter, you were informed that, because of this White Finding and a White Performance Indicator, Safety System Unavailability - Emergency AC Power, Surry Units 1 and 2 performance was in the Degraded Cornerstone Column of the NRC Action Matrix, and that we will conduct a Supplemental Inspection using Inspection Procedure 95002, "Inspection For One Degraded Cornerstone Or Any Three White Inputs In a Strategic Performance Area."

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that we plan to conduct the Supplemental Inspection of Surry Power Station during the week of November 15-19, 2004. This date was confirmed in a phone call between myself and Mr. Barry Garber, Licensing Supervisor, of your staff on October 7, 2004. The Inspection Procedure 95002 is conducted to provide assurance that the root and contributing causes for the individual and collective risk significant performance issues are understood, to independently assess the extent of condition, and to provide assurance that the corrective actions are sufficient to prevent recurrence.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 562-4669.

Sincerely,

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