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**SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER - DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER
STATION (05000346/2009001)**

Dear Mr. Allen:

On February 11, 2009, the NRC staff completed its performance review of the Davis-Besse Nuclear Plant. Our technical staff reviewed performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results over the previous twelve months. 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 security information. A separate letter designated and marked as "Official Use Only--Security Related Information" will include the security cornerstone review and resultant inspection plan.

Overall, Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and fully met all cornerstone objectives. Plant performance for the most recent quarter at Davis-Besse 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, with the exception of the March 2004 Confirmatory Order required annual independent assessment review in the Safety Culture/Safety Conscious Work Environment area and follow-up on the August 2007 Confirmatory Order required actions, we plan to conduct only reactor oversight process baseline inspections at your facility.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, including baseline and other infrequently conducted inspections, less those related to security, scheduled through June 30, 2010. 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 9 months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-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 630-829-9833 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Inspection / Activity Plan
03/01/2009 - 06/30/2010

Planned Dates		Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site
Start	End			
		BI PI&R - BIENNIAL PI&R INSPECTION		6
03/23/2009	04/10/2009	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems	
		BI EP - EP EXERCISE INSPECTION / PI VERIFICATION		4
05/11/2009	05/15/2009	IP 2515/175	Emergency Response Organization, Drill/Exercise Performance Indicator, Program Review	
05/11/2009	05/15/2009	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation	
05/11/2009	05/15/2009	IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance	
05/11/2009	05/15/2009	IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation	
05/11/2009	05/15/2009	IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System	
		FY 09 - DAVIS-BESSE INIT PREP 06/09		3
06/15/2009	06/19/2009	W90206	OL - INITIAL EXAM - JULY 2009 - DAVI	
		FY 09 - DAVIS-BESSE INIT EXAM 07/09		3
07/13/2009	07/17/2009	W90206	OL - INITIAL EXAM - JULY 2009 - DAVI	
		BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1
08/24/2009	08/28/2009	IP 2515/173	Review of the Implementation of the Industry Ground Water Protection Voluntary Initiative	
08/24/2009	08/28/2009	IP 71151-PR01	RETS/ODCM Radiological Effluent	
		BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1
09/14/2009	09/18/2009	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas	
09/14/2009	09/18/2009	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls	
09/14/2009	09/18/2009	IP 71151-OR01	Occupational Exposure Control Effectiveness	
		BI ENG - COMPONENT DESIGN BASES INSPECTION		6
10/19/2009	11/20/2009	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection	
		BI ENG - ENGINEERING INSERVICE INSPECTION		1
02/08/2010	03/05/2010	IP 2515/172	Reactor Coolant System Dissimilar Metal Butt Welds	
02/08/2010	03/05/2010	IP 7111108P	Inservice Inspection Activities - PWR	
		BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1
02/22/2010	02/26/2010	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas	
02/22/2010	02/26/2010	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls	
		BI ENG - TRIENNIAL FIRE INS INFO GATHERING TRIP		3
04/12/2010	04/16/2010	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]	
		BI RP - RADIATION PROTECTION BASELINE INSPECTION		1
04/19/2010	04/23/2010	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems	
04/19/2010	04/23/2010	IP 71151-BI01	Reactor Coolant System Activity	
		BI ENG - TRIENNIAL FIRE PROTECTION INSPECTION		3
04/26/2010	05/14/2010	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]	

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04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing	
04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing	
04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies	
04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance	
04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation	
04/26/2010	04/30/2010	IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System	

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