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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS 050-397/08-007;
072-035/08-001 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Parrish:

Thank you for your letter dated July 16, 2008, in response to our letter and Notice of Violation dated June 17, 2008. We have reviewed your reply and find it responsive to our concerns.

Your letter concluded that full compliance was achieved on April 25, 2008. Following corrective actions made to the welding process, the Resident Inspector observed the welding operations on canister serial numbers 169 and 170, which occurred without further incident on April 26 and May 1, 2008, respectively.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures, and your response will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

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