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April 25, 2013

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SUBJECT: COLUMBIA GENERATING STATION - NRC SECURITY SPECIAL INSPECTION
REPORT 05000397/2013408

Dear Mr. Reddemann:

On March 12, 2013, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed a reactive special inspection at your Columbia Generating Station. The enclosed inspection report documents the inspection results, which were discussed on, March 12, 2013, with Mr. Dale Atkinson, Vice President, Employee Development and Corporate Services, and other members of your staff.

The inspection was commenced on February 13, 2013, in accordance with NRC Management Directive 8.3, "NRC Incident Investigation Program," and Inspection Manual Chapter 0309, "Reactive Inspection Decision Basis for Reactors," based on the initial deterministic criteria evaluation made by the NRC on February 11, 2013.

The inspection reviewed the circumstances surrounding an issue which occurred on February 6, 2013, and examined activities conducted under your license as they relate to security and compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations and with the conditions of your license.

No findings were identified during this inspection.

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Sincerely,

/RA/

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w/Attachments:

1. Supplemental Information
2. Special Inspection Charter
3. Event Chronology

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