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February 15, 2000

S. K. Gambhir, Division Manager Nuclear Operations Omaha Public Power District Fort Calhoun Station FC-2-4 Adm. P.O. Box 399 Hwy. 75 - North of Fort Calhoun Fort Calhoun, Nebraska 68023-0399

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION OF THE UPCOMING LICENSEE ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS IN

RESPONSE TO FUEL PIN PROBLEMS

Dear Mr. Gambhir:

This refers to the meeting conducted in the Region IV office on February 7, 2000. During this meeting, your staff presented information on the Fort Calhoun Station performance, financing, and strategic plan. Additionally, your staff discussed several technical subjects, including reactor fuel performance.

This meeting was beneficial in providing information to Regional management. Strengths and areas of potential improvement were discussed at length. A list of attendees, your 2000-2004 Strategic Business Plan, and a copy of your presentation slides are enclosed.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

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Charles S. Marschall, Chief Project Branch C Division of Reactor Projects

Docket No.: 50-285 License No.: DPR-40

Enclosures:

- 1. Attendance List
- 2. Fort Calhoun Station Strategic Business Plan
- 3. Licensee Presentation

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Attendance List

<u>Licensee</u>

- W. Gary Gates, Vice President, Fort Calhoun Station
- S. Gambhir, Division Manager, Nuclear Operations
- R. Phelps, Division Manager, Nuclear Engineering
- J. Solymossy, Manager, Fort Calhoun Station
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