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Mr. Lee Presley, Interim Vice President
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SUBJECT: NRC OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS REPORT NO. 2-2013-026

Dear Mr. Presley:

This letter refers to an investigation conducted by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI) to determine if management at Chicago Bridge & Iron in Lake Charles, Louisiana (CB&I-LC) discriminated against a CB&I-LC Employee Concerns Program (ECP) Investigator for raising safety concerns affiliated with his/her ECP investigation of wrongdoing involving a CB&I-LC Rigging Manager.

NRC conducted interviews with several CB&I-LC employees and reviewed various documents to examine the facts and circumstances of the case. Based upon the evidence developed during the investigation, NRC did not substantiate that CB&I-LC management willfully discriminated against the CB&I-LC ECP Investigator for raising safety concerns.

In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure, and your response, if any, will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

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If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Dori Willis, Senior Allegations Coordinator of NRC's Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, toll free at (800) 368-5642.

Sincerely,

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