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April 7, 1997

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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-267/97-01

Dear Ms. Fisher:

An NRC inspection was conducted March 10 through 11, 1997, at your Fort St. Vrain (FSV) Nuclear Generating Station facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether your Decommissioning Plan activities authorized by the 10 CFR Part 50 license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Within the areas inspected, the inspector found that the final decommissioning activities had been conducted as required by the Decommissioning Plan. Selected exposure rate surveys performed by the inspector found that radiation levels were below the guidelines established by the FSV Decommissioning Plan and NRC Regulatory Guide 1.86, "Termination of Operating Licenses for Nuclear Reactors."

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

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

Sincerely,

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Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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