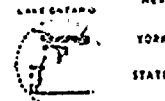




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Subject: IE Inspection No. 50-244/78-22
R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, Unit #1
Docket No. 50-244

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is in response to your November 16, 1978 letter received November 20, 1978, concerning the inspection conducted at Ginna Station October 23-25, 1978 by Dr. Shanbaky of your office. Your letter stated that it appeared that one of our activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as quoted below. This letter contains information in response to this item.

"Section 6.8.1 of the Technical Specifications requires, in part, that written procedures be established, implemented and maintained covering the activities referenced in Appendix "A" of Regulatory Guide 1.33, November 1972. Those activities include the liquid and gaseous radioactive waste systems sampling and monitoring.

"Contrary to these requirements, written procedures were not established, implemented or maintained for the computer-based, multi-channel analyzer system which was used since July 1978 to monitor liquid and gaseous radioactive wastes released from the plant."

Since installation in July 1978 of a new gamma-ray analysis system we have been using the manufacturer's instruction manual for operation. During this time all operations were closely supervised by the radiochemist who was also writing analysis programs.

Training in operation of the system was given by Tracor Northern at the time of installation. This was followed by a period of more formal

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training by Tracor during the period of October 9 through October 13. This training was attended by all Health Physics Technicians. No man was allowed to operate the gamma analyzer system without sufficient training.

On November 17, 1978 the procedure "Operation of Gamma Analyzer" was approved by the Plant Superintendent. This procedure was processed as PCN 78-2341 and reviewed by the Plant Operating Review Committee. The procedure is in use as part of primary chemistry procedures.

The inspection report contains no information that is considered proprietary.

Very truly yours,

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