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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Attention: Mr. Dennis M. Crutchfield, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No. 5
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: SEP Schedule
R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-244

Dear Mr. Crutchfield:

Messrs. Bill Russell and Alan Wang of the SEP Branch visited the Rochester Gas and Electric engineering offices and the Ginna plant on September 23, 1981. The purpose of this visit was to meet the RG&E management to discuss the conduct of and schedule for the SEP Integrated Assessment for Ginna. Messrs. Russell and Wang also toured the Ginna facility to become somewhat familiar with the plant.

The Integrated Assessment schedule, as published in the July 31, 1981 "Systematic Evaluation Program Status Summary Report," NUREG-0485, indicates that a draft SER is to be sent to ACRS and RG&E by the end of January 1982. Although we desire and anticipate an ambitiously rapid completion of the SEP for Ginna, we do not believe that the proposed NUREG-0485 schedule can or should be met. In order to properly integrate all outstanding SEP concerns into an effective package of modifications, sufficient time to make value-impact decisions must be allowed. RG&E thus proposes the following SEP schedule:

In order to make use of major topic assessments still in progress or under initial review, such as containment isolation, load combinations, and tornado protection, the target date for "all topics complete" should be the end of October. A meeting in Washington to discuss outstanding technical issues should be scheduled for the first week in November. The SEP site visit to prepare value-impact analyses of the open items should be scheduled in Rochester for the first week in December. The results of that meeting would allow a draft SER to be completed by the beginning of January. Depending on the nature of the draft assessment, including the number and magnitude of the deviations from current

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criteria, we expect RG&E review to require a minimum of three months. It should be noted that it is not likely that we would provide conceptual designs for the open items within this time period. Allowing a month for the NRC to revise the SER and issue a final SER, submittal to ACRS would be no sooner than May 1982.

The proposed schedule is considered by RG&E to be extremely ambitious. However, we do expect to provide the proper resources to this project to meet these dates. Of course, unexpected occurrences, such as an "immediately" required reply to an NRC I&E Bulletin, or similar circumstances, would impact this schedule. We hope you find our proposed schedule suitable for the timely completion of the Ginna Systematic Evaluation Program.

Very truly yours,


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