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The Honorable Nunzio J. Palladino
Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20545

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Dear Chairman Palladino:

Several months have passed since we received the November 24, 1981 Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties. During this period many positive actions have been taken by our company to provide additional assurance as to the safety of the Wm. H. Zimmer Nuclear Power Station's design, construction, and operation.

Our nuclear operations have been restructured and completely separated from other company operations. The present nuclear organization is comprised of a Quality Assurance Department, a Nuclear Production Department, a Nuclear Engineering Department, and a Nuclear Services Department, all under the direction of a Vice President of Nuclear Operations with 18 years of previous nuclear experience. The Quality Assurance Department has a new manager who has brought to the Company extensive experience in that area. Under his direction, the size and experience of the QA/QC work forces has been greatly expanded to meet the increased construction responsibilities of that department. Shareholders of the Company, at their April 28 annual meeting, elected to the Board of Directors the Senior Vice President who has the overall responsibility of our nuclear operations, thus enhancing the Board's interface with the Company's nuclear activities.

The comprehensive Quality Confirmation Program, agreed to by Region III, to assess the safety of the construction of Zimmer as well as provide assurance of proper documentation of the work performed, is moving forward in all categories and on a total basis is approximately 55% completed.

Sufficient information and expertise in the Emergency Planning Area was provided by the Company to allow the record to be closed by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board on the Zimmer hearings. In addition, detailed information provided by the