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Gentlemen:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station (OCNUS)
Docket No. 50-219
Facility Operating License No. DPR-16
Core Spray Sparger - 15R Outage Inspections

The Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station Technical Specifications, Appendix A, para. 6.9.3.e, and the Facility Operating License para. 2.C.(5), require that a special report presenting the results of the inservice inspection of the core spray spargers during each refueling outage be provided for review and that authorization be obtained from the Commission's staff before the plant is restarted from each refueling outage.

Topical Report No. TR-098, which is enclosed for your review, is the core spray sparger inspection report for the Cycle 15 refueling outage. It describes the nondestructive examinations that were performed on the core spray spargers and the associated in-vessel annulus piping. The sparger assemblies and in-vessel annulus piping were inspected utilizing a remote visual (camera) examination supplemented with an optional air test. The report documents that no new relevant indications or anomalies were found and no change in pre-existing conditions were noted since the prior Cycle 14 refueling outage inspection.

If you have any questions or comments on this submittal, please contact Mr. Michael Laggart, Manager, Corporate Nuclear Licensing at (201) 316-7968.

Very truly yours,

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