

June 30, 1983

Mr. Thomas Martin, Director
Division of Engineering and Technical Programs
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region I
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Re: Docket No. 50-220
Inspection Report 83-09

Dear Mr. Martin,

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. R.L. Nimitz of your office on April 12-15, 1983 at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Unit #1, Scriba, New York of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-63 and to the discussions of your findings held by Mr. R.L. Nimitz with Mr. T. Perkins at the conclusion of the inspection and to a telephone conversation on May 4 and 16, 1983 between Mr. Nimitz and Mr. E. Leach of our staff.

Item A

Technical Specification 6.8 requires, in part, that procedures be established and implemented that meet or exceed the requirements and recommendations of Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33. Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33, 1972, recommends in Section B.10 that preparation for refueling be covered by written procedures. Procedure No. N1-FHP-2A, revision 2, "Reactor Building Clean Room Work and Tool Control", requires in part, that material (ie., tools, consumables) inside the normal railing location around the reactor cavity be inventoried by checklist and controlled prior to head removal and until the reactor vessel head has been reinstalled.

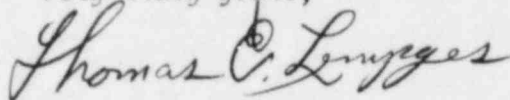
Contrary to the above, with the Reactor Vessel Head off, on April 12, 1983 about 20, one foot pieces of tape were observed around the rim of the reactor vessel and were not inventoried. The tape was being used to secure the reactor vessel flange protector to the reactor vessel, and on April 14, 1983 a pair of binoculars was being used inside the normal railing location around the reactor cavity on the refueling bridge over

the reactor vessel and were not inventoried. The binoculars were being used to look into the reactor vessel.

RESPONSE

All involved personnel will be notified that binoculars need to be inventoried per FHP-2A. A caution will be added to the appropriate maintenance procedure addressing the logging in and out of tape for installing the flange protector. These corrective actions will be completed prior to the next removal of the Reactor Vessel Head.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas E. Lempges".

Thomas E. Lempges
Vice President
Nuclear Generation

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