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Attention: Thomas T. Martin, Director  
Division of Engineering  
and Technical Programs

SUBJECT: JAMES A. FITZPATRICK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT  
DOCKET NO. 50-333, NRC INSPECTION NO. 83-14

Gentlemen:

This letter is being submitted as the result of a special inspection conducted by Mr. J. R. White of your office on June 6-10, 1983 at the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant.

In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, we are submitting in Enclosure 1, our response to Appendix A Notice of Violation transmitted by your letter dated July 19, 1983 as received by the undersigned on July 25, 1983.

In addition to the response to the Notice of Violation, we were requested to comment on the audits in the areas of radiation protection and radioactive waste management. These comments are included in Enclosure 2.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Corbin A. McNeill, Jr.'.

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Enclosures

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Enclosure 1

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION

The Power Authority agrees with the finding.

The fundamental cause of this violation was lack of management controls to ensure our sample surveys were conducted to meet RWP survey requirements.

The immediate corrective actions for this violation were as follows:

1. An audit is being performed once per shift by a Radiological & Environmental Senior Technician to verify that air samples have been obtained for each Radiation Work Permit (RWP) requiring them. The cause for a missed or apparently missed sample is also logged. The Radiation Protection Supervisor reviews this log and initiates corrective actions as necessary.
2. Radiation Protection technicians were given specific guidelines pertaining to RWP processing and follow-up. The guidelines specifically addressed RWP preparation, monitoring and follow-up survey actions.
3. The actions stated above have provided for immediate improvement to the follow-up survey process with respect to RWP usage.

Permanent corrective action will be to revise the Radiation Work Permit procedure. The revised procedure will require additional surveys and a means to assure that required surveys are performed. The revised Radiation Work Permit procedure is in the conceptual stage and will be implemented by March 1, 1984.

Enclosure 2

COMMENTS ON AUDITS  
IN RADIATION AND RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Power Authority agrees that the audits of the Radiation Protection Program were incomplete in the areas of routine audits and audits of procedures under development.

An expanded, ongoing audit program will be initiated prior to October 1, 1983 by the Authority's corporate Quality Assurance and Reliability Division, and will include the verification of implementation of selected procedures from the Radiation Protection Operating Procedures and the Radiological Environmental Services Department procedures under development.

Additionally, the Authority's corporate Quality Assurance and Reliability Division has initiated a program of performing appraisal evaluations. These appraisals will audit radiation protection program effectiveness rather than procedural compliance.