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License Nos. DPR-53  
DPR-69

ATTENTION: Mr. R. W. Starostecki, Director  
Division of Project & Resident Programs

Gentlemen:

This refers to Inspection Report 50-317/83-21; 50-318/83-21, which transmitted an item of apparent noncompliance with NRC requirements. Enclosure (1) to this letter is a written statement in reply to those items noted in your letter of October 3, 1983.

Should you have further questions regarding this reply, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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ENCLOSURE (1)

REPLY TO APPENDIX A OF NRC INSPECTION  
REPORT 50-317/83-21; 50-318/83-21

We have reviewed the incident involving lack of proper notification and out-of-specification chemical analysis results described in the Inspection Report for any programmatic weaknesses in our current procedures. As a result of our review, we have taken corrective actions ensuring that events similar to those described are not repeated in the future.

With regard to the improper notification of the Shift Supervisor and the Supervisor-Plant Chemistry, we have determined that the guidance currently contained in RCP 1-204 is adequate. The identified violation involves failure of chemistry technicians to properly implement the controls provided by the procedure. As a result, the technicians who were involved in the incident have been counseled on the importance of logging all analytical results as well as notifying the proper personnel in a timely manner in the event out-of-specification analysis results are discovered.

An investigation of the incident indicates that the cause of the out-of-specification analysis was a result of contaminated reagent used in performing the boron chemical analysis. Procedure changes have been implemented which require a boron standard to be analyzed on a daily basis to verify the purity of the reagents used in boron analysis. Full compliance was achieved on September 8, 1983.