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Docket Nos. 50-245
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Mr. John F. Opeka
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Dear Mr. Opeka:

Subject: NRC Combined Inspection Nos. 50-245/92-26; 50-336/92-28;
50-423/92-22

An announced safety inspection of the radiological controls, radioactive waste handling, and radioactive waste transportation programs at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station was conducted by Messrs. J. D. Noggle and R. L. Nimitz on October 19-23 and November 2-6, 1992. The inspection findings were discussed with members of your staff on October 23 and November 6, 1992.

Areas reviewed during the inspection were important to health and safety and are discussed in the enclosed inspection report. These areas included review of: action on previous findings; audits; organization and staffing; solid radwaste waste streams; transportation and solid radwaste; steam generator shipment preparation; radioactive and contaminated material, and contamination controls; radiological controls; and station housekeeping.

The inspector's review identified very good efforts on previously identified matters. Improvement in the quality of audits of the radiological controls program was noted. The radwaste and radiological controls organizations were found to be adequately staffed. Good control of radioactive and contaminated material, and contamination was identified but two issues, associated with identification of a contaminated gauge in a warehouse and lack of defined alarm set point for site egress portal monitors were identified as issues needing further review by your staff. The circumstances surrounding the release of the contaminated gauge is considered an unresolved item. Preparation and planning for the shipment of the No. 2 steam generator were good. The radiological controls program was considered overall to be effective in reducing aggregate radiation exposure of personnel. Housekeeping was considered good.

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Two violations were identified. The first violation involved failure to collect representative samples of Unit 2 resins for determination of curie content for shipping purposes. The violation is presented in Enclosure 1, Notice of Violation (Notice). You are required to respond to the Notice and should follow the instructions provided therein. The second violation involved failure to post certain High Radiation Areas inside the Unit 2 containment. Because other signs and postings, which provided workers appropriate radiological controls information, were posted at the areas, and appropriate corrective actions were taken to address this matter, the violation was considered of minor safety significance and in accordance with the Enforcement Policy (Section VII.B.1) is not being cited.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

**Original Signed By;
James H. Joyner**

James H. Joyner, Chief
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Conjoined Inspection Report Nos. 50-245/92-26; 50-336/92-28;
50-423/92-22

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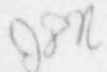
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