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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-443/96-03 (REPLY)

Dear Mr. Feigenbaum:

This refers to your July 12, 1996, correspondence in response to our letter, dated June 14, 1996, regarding Seabrook Station. This correspondence dealt with fire protection program issues including two violations of NRC requirements. We have reviewed this matter in accordance with NRC Inspection Manual Procedure 92702.

Thank you for informing us of the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter. Your actions to improve staff awareness of fire program requirements and management expectations appear proper for improving the effectiveness of the program. In addition, your planned actions to clarify procedures, revise the fire protection program, and provide subsequent training on any program changes appear complete.

We consider these actions acceptable pending further review in a future inspection of your licensed program.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

William H. Ruland, Chief
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