

December 20, 1996

Mr. Michael B. Roche  
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GPU Nuclear Corporation  
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
P.O. Box 388  
Forked River, New Jersey 08731

SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW - OYSTER CREEK

Dear Mr. Roche:

On November 6, 1996, the NRC staff completed the semiannual Plant Performance Review (PPR) for the Oyster Creek facility. The staff conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by NRC management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The PPR for Oyster Creek involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period June 8, 1996, through November 6, 1996. PPRs provide NRC management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and senior management meeting (SiMM) reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Oyster Creek PPR review. It is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. The enclosure details our inspection plan for the next six months. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the core inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reason for emphasis in these program areas. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact me at (610) 337-5234.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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**6 MONTH INSPECTION PLAN FOR OYSTER CREEK**

IP - Inspection Procedure  
TI - Temporary Instruction  
CO - Core Inspection  
SI - Safety Issue Inspection  
RI - Regional Initiative Inspection

INSPECTION	TITLE/PROGRAM AREA	START DATE	TYPE OF INSPECTION/ COMMENTS
IP 37550	Engineering, Visit 1	3/21/97	CO
IP 62706	Maintenance Rule Inspection Team	4/7/97	Special Review on Maintenance Rule Program
IP 81700	Physical Security, Visit 1	4/28/97	CO
IP 62705	Electrical Maintenance (Components and Systems)	5/19/97	RI, Focus on problems with old cable design and installation
IP 84750	Effluent Controls	5/19/97	CO