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November 22, 1996

Mr. E. Kraft
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SUBJECT: NRC SPECIAL INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-254/96015(DRS);
50-265/96015(DRS) AND NOTICE OF DEVIATION

Dear Mr. Kraft:

On November 6, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station facility. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities, set forth in the enclosure to this letter, appear to be a deviation from commitments which you have made in previous correspondence with the Commission regarding the trending of residual heat removal room cooler cooling water differential pressure. A written response is requested.

Equipment trending weaknesses were also identified in a recent Engineering and Technical Support inspection. Because equipment performance monitoring is an important method to monitor potential degradation in the materiel condition of plant systems, weaknesses in this area identified in this report and in previous inspections warrant your attention.

In addition, we are concerned about the difference between conclusions reached regarding the safety significance of undersized thermal overloads identified in the control room ventilation system at your facility and the Dresden facility. As a result, we request that you provide us, within 60 days of receipt of this letter, the results of a reassessment of the safety significance of this issue and a justification for differences, if any, between the two facilities.

Please note that you are requested to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

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Sincerely,

Original Signed by Brent Clayton (for)

Geoffrey E. Grant, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-254; 50-265

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Deviation
2. NRC Inspection Report
No. 50-254/96015(DRS);
50-265/96015(DRS)

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