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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-382/97-04 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Dugger:

An NRC inspection was conducted February 23 through April 5, 1997, at your Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3 reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

During the 6-week period covered by this inspection period, your conduct of activities at Waterford 3 was generally characterized by good performance of operations, maintenance, engineering, and plant support. However, violations of NRC requirements were identified.

Violation A identified numerous examples of the failure to comply with the Technical Specification requirements for the use of overtime. The violation reflects a weakness in management oversight and ownership for the control of overtime, which could affect the quality of safety-related activities.

Violation B involved the failure of your staff to recognize that Shield Building Ventilation Train B failed its Technical Specification surveillance for maximum air flow and your surveillance review process allowed the surveillance failure to go undetected for a period of time greater than the Technical Specification allowed outage time for that equipment. Further, your failure to recognize that Train B did not comply with the surveillance requirements allowed the other train to be taken out of service for maintenance without recognition that both trains would be rendered inoperable.

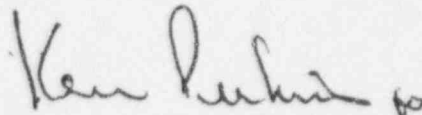
Violation C involved two examples of inadequate 10 CFR 50.59 evaluations. Personnel involved in the preparation and review of these evaluations demonstrated inadequate knowledge of Technical Specification requirements for containment isolation valves. As a result of these inadequate evaluations, an instance was identified of failure to comply with the Technical Specification requirement for direct position indication for containment isolation valves, which caused the Technical Specification allowed outage time to be exceeded without the required actions being taken.

The violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding the violations are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required 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.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure(s), and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



Thomas P. Gwynn, Director
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1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report
50-382/97-04

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