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June 13, 1997

Mr. Michael J. Colomb
Site Executive Officer
New York Power Authority
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Post Office Box 41
Lycoming, NY 13093

SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION 50-333/97-04 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Colomb:

On May 25, 1997 the NRC completed an inspection at your FitzPatrick Power Plant. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the 6-week period covered by this inspection period, your conduct of activities at the plant were generally characterized by safe plant operation.

An NRC team inspection was conducted to evaluate your corrective action program. Overall, your problem identification and corrective action program was considered to be good. The Plant Operation and Safety Review Committees provided an appropriate level of oversight and Quality Assurance audits were considered to be a strength. Self-identification of problems by front-line personnel seemed to be increasing. Weaknesses were identified in the review and documentation for extent of condition and in the response to repetitive problems. In particular, corrective actions for previous findings related to radiological control barriers and radiation worker practices have not been effective.

Based on the results of this inspection, a violation of NRC requirements occurred. The violation concerned the failure of radiation workers to follow radiation protection requirements. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. Your response may reference previous docketed correspondence if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. Please include as a part of your response those corrective actions you intend to take to understand the broader implications of these violations. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements. 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.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:

John F. Rogge, Chief
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Division of Reactor Projects

Docket No.: 50-333

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1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report 50-333/97-04

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