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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-369/97-04 and 50-370/97-04  
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Barron:

On April 5, 1997, the NRC completed an inspection at your McGuire 1 & 2 reactor facilities. 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 McGuire facilities was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations, sound engineering and maintenance practices, and careful radiological work controls. Appropriate control of outage work activities such as safe heavy load movements and heightened awareness for potential Unit 1 impact on the safe operation of Unit 2 were noted during this period.

However, a violation of NRC requirements was identified regarding (1) a failure to ensure that the FWST transmitter enclosure heaters were installed in accordance with design documents, and (2) a failure to report in a timely manner a degraded condition on Unit 1 in accordance with 10 CFR 50.72. Both of these issues were identified by the NRC and were associated with previous problems.

The violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation and the circumstances surrounding the issues 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.

The enclosed Inspection Report also identifies activities that violated NRC requirements that will not be subject to enforcement action because the licensee's efforts in identifying and/or correcting the violation meet the criteria specified in Section VII.B.1 of the Enforcement Policy. These issues involved (1) a failure to maintain adequate configuration control for a reactor coolant system letdown filter housing vent which contributed to an RCS leak in excess of Technical Specification limits; and (2) a failure to complete maintenance on ice condenser components in accordance with prescribed procedures.

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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 (PDR).

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Docket Nos. 50-369, 50-370  
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2. Inspection Report  
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