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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-219/99-11

Dear Mr. Roche:

On October 12, 1999, the NRC conducted a preliminary safety inspection inside the owner-controlled area known as the Forked River Property, an area behind your Oyster Creek facility. The inspection consisted of interviews with licensee personnel and review of selective historical survey data. Independent measurements and samples were taken at various locations within the Forked River Property. The intent of this inspection was to develop plans for the comprehensive confirmatory survey which is scheduled to be conducted the week of November 15, 1999. The NRC was accompanied by three representatives of the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Nuclear Engineering (NJDEP). The enclosed report presents the NRC's results of that inspection.

On October 19, 1999, an NRC representative along with an NRC contractor toured the Forked River Property to determine logistics and future NRC sampling activities for the mid-November comprehensive confirmatory survey inspection.

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

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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