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SUBJECT: NRC MAINTENANCE RULE TEAM INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-410/98-12

Dear Mr. Mueller:

This refers to the team inspection conducted on June 15-19, 1998, at Nine Mile Point Unit 2. The purpose of the inspection was to review the implementation of the Nine Mile Point Unit 2 Maintenance Rule Program under 10 CFR 50.65. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

Program strengths were noted in the areas of self assessment and risk monitoring. The melding of the rule into one plan, for both units, coupled with management's focus resulted in the resolution of Unit 1 open items in this area. The program was found to be well established and properly implemented.

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.

Sincerely,

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