

January 20, 2000

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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-321/99-08 AND 50-366/99-08

Dear Mr. Sumner:

On December 11, 1999, the NRC completed a safety inspection at the Hatch Nuclear Plant. The enclosed integrated report presents the results of that inspection. During the six-week period covered by this inspection, the conduct of activities at the Hatch Nuclear Plant was generally characterized by safety-conscious operations, sound engineering, adequate maintenance practices, and good plant support activities.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that violations of NRC requirements occurred. These violations are being treated as Non-Cited Violations (NCVs), consistent with Section VII.B.1.a of the Enforcement Policy. These NCVs are described in the enclosed integrated report. If you contest these violations, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001, with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and the Director, Office of Enforcement, USNRC, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

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. 50-321 and 50-366
License Nos. DPR-57 and NPF-7

Enclosure: NRC Integrated Inspection Report
50-321/99-08, 50-366/99-08

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