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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

RE: Docket No. 50-410
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Gentlemen:

On September 23, 1997, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC) submitted Licensee Event Report 97-08, "Potential Spurious Actuation of RWCU [Reactor Water Cleanup] High Pressure/Low Pressure Interface Valves," and on May 7, 1998, NMPC committed to modifying the RWCU system during Refueling Outage 7. The modification successfully modified 28 of the 40 affected valves. Based on further reviews, NMPC concluded that the modification did not resolve the issue for 12 valves. NMPC will endeavor to resolve the design issue for the remaining 12 valves during the next operating cycle. However, depending upon plant impact, this may require resolution as late as Refueling Outage 8.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. F. Peckham".

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