

May 18, 2000

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Mr. Harold W. Keiser
President and Chief Nuclear Officer
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Subject: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 05000311/1999-010 (REPLY)

Dear Mr. Keiser:

This letter refers to PSEG's Reply to Notice of Violation dated March 15, 2000, in response to Inspection Report 05000311/1999-010 dated February 14, 2000. The Notice of Violation indicated a deficiency associated with the Unit 2 4160Vac switchgear room carbon dioxide fire suppression system. The Reply to Notice of Violation meets the requirements of 10 CFR 2.201 and the schedule for evaluating the deficiency is acceptable.

Because this inspection finding has been determined to be White (low to moderate safety significance) we plan to perform a supplemental inspection to provide assurance that corrective actions are sufficient to address the root and contributing causes, and to prevent recurrence. The supplemental inspection will be scheduled after you submit your overall resolution strategy and schedule for addressing the fire risk in the affected area, due to be submitted by July 15, 2000.

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

Please do not hesitate to call me at (610) 337-5376 with any comments or questions you may have.

Sincerely,

/RA BY SCOTT A. MORRIS FOR/

William H. Ruland, Chief
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