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SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 2 - TECHNICAL  
EVALUATION REPORT OF STEAM GENERATOR TUBE FAILURE,  
INSPECTION RESULTS, AND OPERATIONAL ASSESSMENT

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The staff intends to reference the findings of the enclosed technical evaluation in a regulatory issue summary that is currently under development. It is expected that this information will also be useful to the rest of the industry in managing SG tube integrity and will be of general interest to other stakeholders.

Sincerely,

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