

October 1, 1985

Docket No. 50-220
LS05-85-10-002

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
ATTN: Mr. C. V. Mangan
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Dear Mr. Mangan:

SUBJECT: REPORTING REQUIREMENTS EXEMPTION REQUEST

Re: Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1

By letter dated February 28, 1985, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC) requested an exemption from the reporting requirements contained in 10 CFR 50.72 and 50.73 as allowable under 10 CFR 50.12(a) for any requirement and under 10 CFR 50.73(f) for written reporting requirements.

Specifically, NMPC's request for exemption is related to the requirement to report all manual and automatic actuations of any Engineered Safety Feature (ESF) System. The staff has received similar requests for exemption from other licensees since these reporting requirements became effective on January 1, 1984. In light of these requests for exemption and various licensee reports received, the staff is currently reevaluating the requirements set forth in 50.72 and 50.73. The Commission currently plans to address your concerns on a generic basis as part of this reevaluation.

Upon completion of the staff's reevaluation of the requirements in 50.72 and 50.73, NMPC may resubmit its request if NMPC concludes that the concerns delineated in the request for exemption have not been adequately addressed. In this case, the staff encourages you to contact your NRC project manager, Mr. Robert Hermann, or me.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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