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September 21, 1998

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SUBJECT: ALLEGATION [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

John Zeiler Acting Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 4
Division of Reactor Projects

- Enclosures: 1. Allegation Evaluation Report
- 2. NRC Inspection Report
(50-400/98-07)

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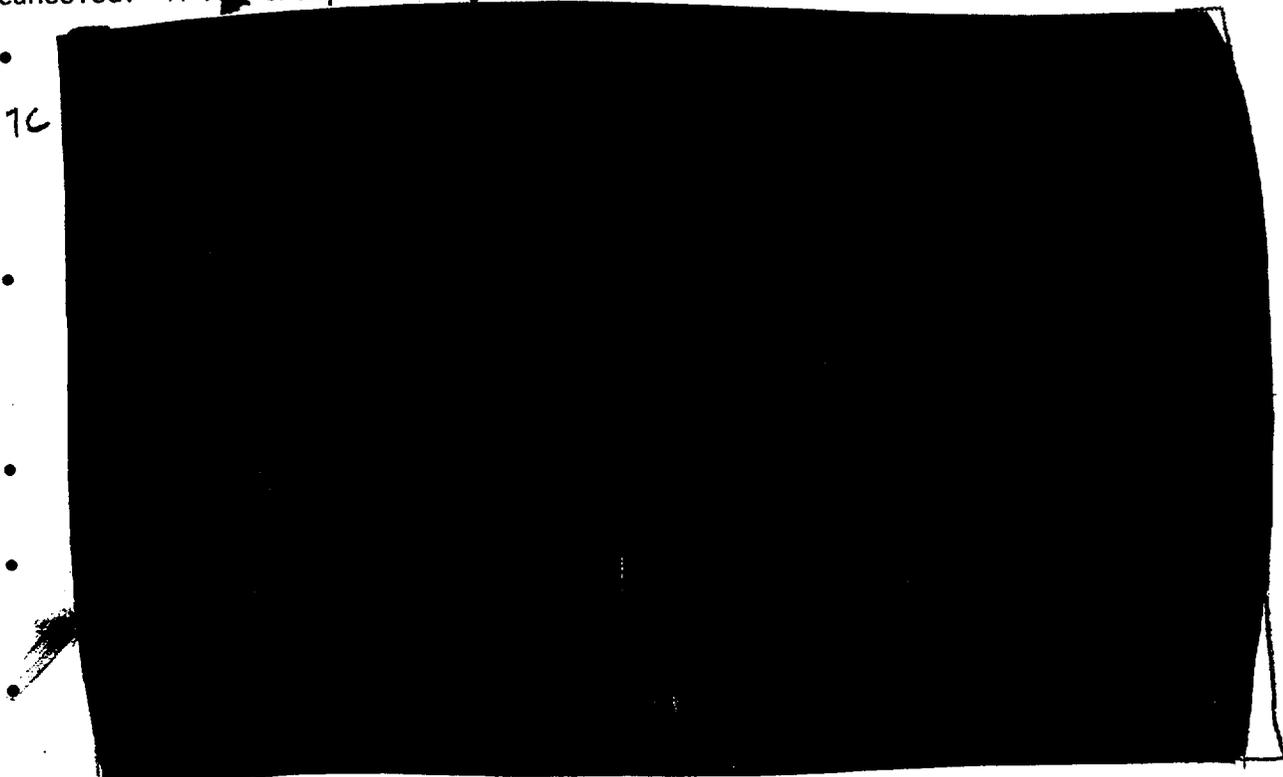
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CONCERN:

"When other processes such as Engineering Service Requests (ESRs) are utilized, the required review for operability and reportability is not completed. It was my unpopular opinion that the emphasis on avoiding the CR process allowed significant issues to [be] given a low priority or even canceled. A few examples of my concern are listed below.

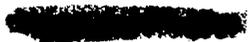
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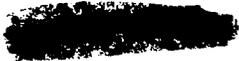
DISCUSSION:

This allegation was reviewed by inspecting each example case in turn. For each example, the inspectors reviewed the licensee's ESR documentation and identified the circumstances associated with both the initiation and rejection of the subject ESR, and sought to identify any issues associated with the ESR that had regulatory, safety, or operational significance. The findings are discussed below for each ESR.



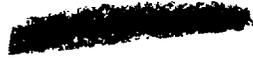


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CONCLUSION:

Based on the information provided, this allegation was not substantiated in that:

- The cited examples do not represent instances in which significant issues were given a low priority or canceled.
- The cited ESRs were all rejected for valid reasons.