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

RE: Nine Mile Point Unit 1
 Docket No. 50-220
 DPR-63

***Subject: Special Report, Channel 12 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System
 Inoperable for Scheduled Maintenance***

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Action Statement 4.a of Nine Mile Point Unit 1 Technical Specification Table 3.6.11-2, "Accident Monitoring Instrumentation Action Statements," Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation is submitting the following Special Report concerning the inoperability of Channel #12 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System.

Description of Event

On August 15, 2001, operators declared Channel #12 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System inoperable for scheduled maintenance. The scheduled maintenance was to clean system piping, to replace the hydrogen analyzer cell, and to perform support instrumentation calibration. The maintenance is scheduled to be completed on August 27, 2001.

The redundant Channel #11 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System was verified in service prior to removing Channel #12 from service.

Cause of Event

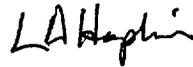
The Channel #12 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System was declared inoperable in order to perform scheduled maintenance.

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Corrective Actions

The scheduled maintenance will be completed and Channel #12 Containment Hydrogen Monitoring System will be returned to an operable status.

Very truly yours,



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