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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
801 Warrenville Road
Lisle, Illinois 60532-4351

SUBJECT: Results of Combustion Engineering's evaluation of certain activities described in NRC letter dated November 23, 1999, reference tracking number 99-A-0172

Enclosure: Results of independent evaluation

Dear Mr. Clayton:

ABB C-E Nuclear Power, Inc. has conducted an independent evaluation of activities as described in the subject letter. This evaluation was primarily performed by an individual from the Total Quality Organization and whose reporting chain is independent of fuel operations. The evaluation included a review of security records and phone interviews with () and the security guard on shift.

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Results of CE's evaluation are provided in the enclosure.

We will be glad to discuss any questions you have concerning our response. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (636) 937-4691, extension 399.

Sincerely,

ABB C-E Nuclear Power, Inc.

Robert W Sharkey 12-22-99

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Director, Regulatory Affairs

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Results of independent evaluation, reference 99-A-0172

Details

The security force may have allowed an ABB Combustion engineering employee into the plant on August 27, 1999, without the proper escort.

On August 26, 1999 [] normally an employee of Special Response Corporation told a Security Guard that he was an ABB Combustion employee. Accompanying []

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[] stated that [] was an ABB Combustion Engineering employee. Because [] did not have escort privileges a security officer escorted [] around the site. The following morning [] was back at the plant and may not have had the appropriate escort.

Results of ABB evaluation:

On August 26, 1999 [] an ABB employee from Windsor CT and [] an employee of Special Response Corporation conducted a security review of the Hematite facility. This review was performed in preparation of a potential labor action (strike) by the Teamster union. At the time, ABB was in contract negotiations with the Teamster union. At about 9 PM on the 26th both [] were properly escorted on a tour of the facility by one of ABB's security force members.

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The following day, August 27, 1999 [] returned to the facility to complete their security evaluation. Both [] signed the visitor Control Register in anticipation of entering the controlled area of the facility. Prior to entering the facility they determined that their business could be concluded in the administration building and they did not re-enter the controlled area. The Visitor Control Register shows a "time in" of 0815 and a "time out" of 0830 however they did not actually enter the facility.

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Based on the evaluation we conclude that [] did not enter the controlled area of the facility on August 27, 1999 and therefore there is not an issue with [] not having an appropriate escort.

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