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Docket No. 50-247

Mr. Stephen Bram
Vice President - Nuclear Power
Consolidated Edison Company of
New York, Inc.
Indian Point Station
Broadway and Bleakley Avenue
Buchanan, New York 10511

Dear Mr. Bram:

Subject: NRC Region I Resident Inspection Report No. 50-247/93-27

This letter transmits the findings of the safety inspection conducted by G. Hunegs and T. Frye from November 14, 1993, to December 25, 1993, at the Indian Point 2 Nuclear Power Plant, Buchanan, New York. At the conclusion of the inspection, these findings were discussed by Mr. Hunegs with you and members of your staff.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Resident Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter and were selected in order to ensure that your facility is operated with due regard for the public health and safety. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). Our review of the September 10, 1993, 80' containment airlock inner door failure concluded that an inadequate containment entry and egress procedure and the failure to maintain calibrated containment airlock pressure gauges contributed to the inner door failure. Implementation of the operational gauge calibration program has been inadequate to ensure that all pressure gauges important to safety were calibrated as required. The inadequate containment procedure and gauge calibration program are violations of NRC requirements. In addition, the corrective actions for a previous similar violation were too narrowly focused, and the root causes of the violation were not adequately developed.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and include any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to the Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

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Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. NRC Region I Resident Inspection Report No. 50-247/93-27

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