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SUBJECT: NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY (NYPA) ASSESSMENT
PANEL CHARTER

By memorandum dated December 20, 1991, a charter was issued for the formation of the FitzPatrick Assessment Panel (FAP). The FAP was formed to assist Region I and NRR in the coordination of NRC resources for the performance monitoring and assessment of the James A FitzPatrick nuclear power plant. As a result of declining performance, a Diagnostic Evaluation Team (DET) inspection was performed at FitzPatrick and it was foreseen that a large agency effort would be required to follow licensee actions resulting from DET findings as well as from the implementation of NYPA's Results Improvement Program (RIP) for FitzPatrick.

Since the formation of the FAP, a significant decline has also been noted in the performance of the Indian Point 3 nuclear power plant. The performance decline indicates that there are some problems at Indian Point 3 that may have the same root causes as those identified at FitzPatrick. Since FitzPatrick and Indian Point 3 are both owned and operated by NYPA, the scope of the FAP is being expanded to include Indian Point 3. Accordingly, this expanded assessment panel will be called the NYPA Assessment Panel (NAP).

The principle purpose of the NAP is to assist Region I and NRR in the coordination of NRC resources for the performance monitoring and assessment of both the FitzPatrick and Indian Point 3 nuclear power plants as well as the NYPA corporate office. In addition, the NAP will follow NYPA's implementation of the RIP for FitzPatrick and the Performance Improvement Program (PIP) for Indian Point 3. Mr. Curtis Cowgill will remain as Chairman and Mr. Robert Capra will remain as Vice Chairman. Through issuance of this memorandum, the FAP is revised and expanded as delineated by the panel responsibilities listed below.

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