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Docket No: 50-410

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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: FUEL HANDLING ACCIDENT - (NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION,  
UNIT 2)

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OELD  
SAVarga  
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We are in the process of evaluating, for all plants, a refueling accident inside the reactor containment building which may not have been adequately considered during the licensing review. Based on our preliminary review of available information, such an accident was considered during the licensing review for your facility and potential site boundary radiation exposures would be well within 10 CFR Part 100 guidelines. On the basis of this review we expect that modifications to your design will not be required. Should you have information that might change the results of our review, please notify us promptly.

Sincerely,

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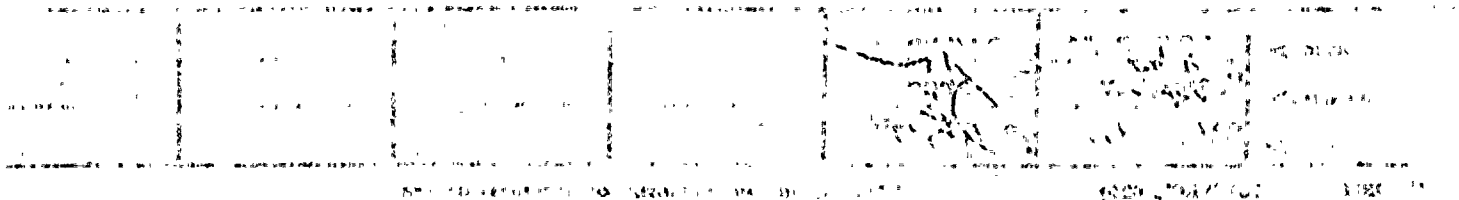
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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