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Docket No. 50-220

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
ATTN: Mr. Philip D. Raymond  
Vice President - Engineering  
300 Erie Boulevard West  
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Gentlemen:

Your letter dated September 29, 1972, described a cask drop protection system proposed for installation in the Nine Mile Point (NMP) Nuclear Station Unit 1. This proposed system is essentially the same as that described by Jersey Central Power & Light Company for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station in their application for a full-term operating license dated March 9, 1972, and supplements thereto dated October 6, 1972, December 12, 1972, and January 9, 1973. To expedite our review, you are requested to provide a summary report of your proposal, modified as necessary, by incorporating the latest applicable information submitted by Jersey Central in the above-indicated three supplements. You are also requested to identify and provide a discussion of any significant difference(s) between the NMP Unit 1 and Oyster Creek plants as regards the cask drop accident and related concerns.

We are enclosing a copy of our most recent correspondence with Jersey Central on this matter. You are requested to include the considerations set forth in this enclosed letter in developing the above-indicated summary report. The additional information and a revised proposal, if necessary, are requested for our review within thirty days from the date of this letter. Please provide these with one signed original and thirty-nine additional copies.

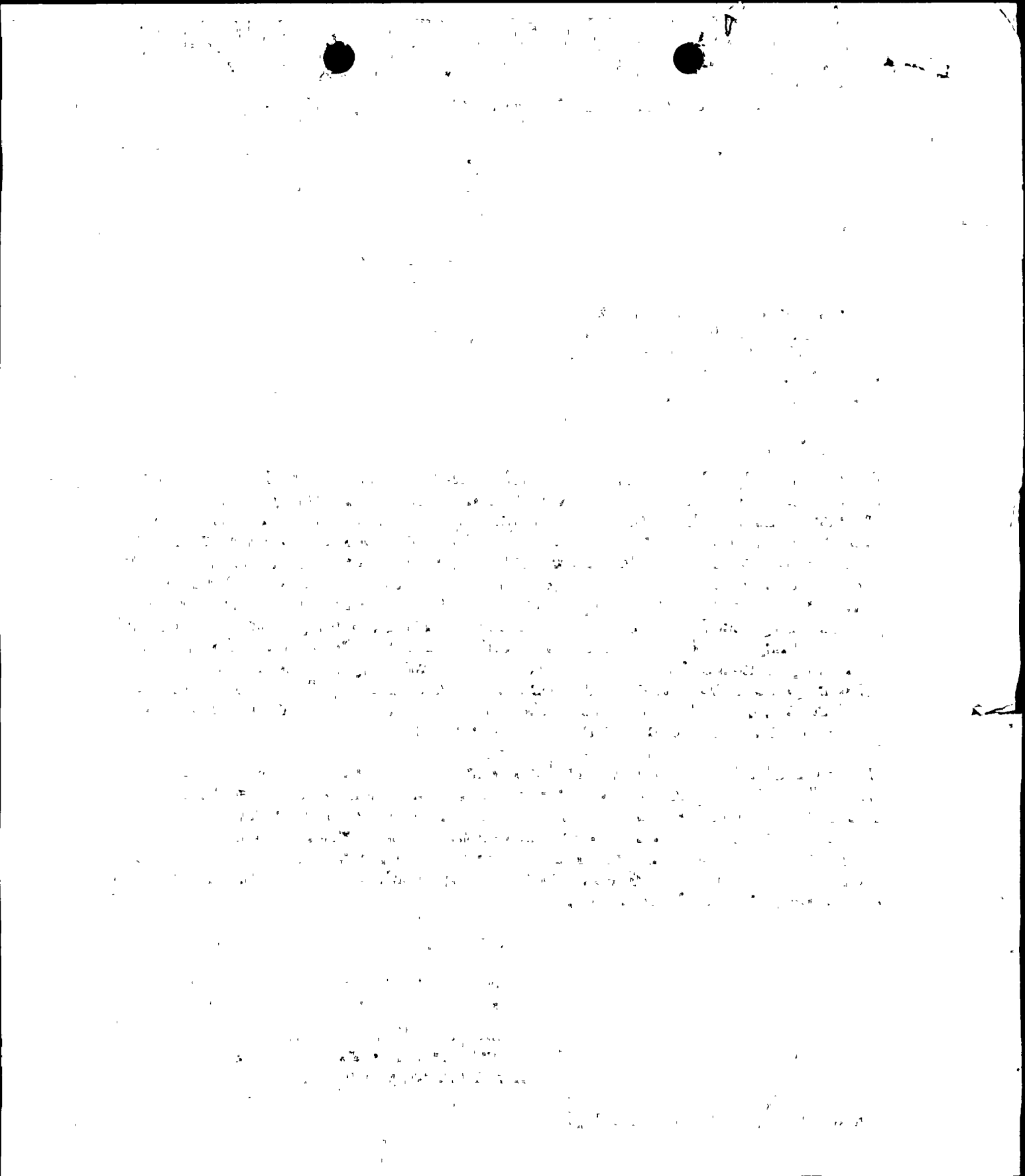
Sincerely,

Original signed by  
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Dennis L. Ziemann, Chief  
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Gentlemen:

Your letter dated March 16, 1973, indicated that you will be ready to begin foundation work for the proposed modified off-gas system at the Nine Mile Point Unit No. 1 in mid May 1973. We have reviewed the proposed modified radioactive off-gas system described in the "Technical Supplement to Petition for Conversion from Provisional Operating License to Full-Term Operating License" and associated "Environmental Report" submitted on July 5, 1972. Based on this information and statements by your staff that the system will be constructed in accordance with the requirements for a Class I structure, we have concluded that the proposed charcoal delay system will reduce the radioactive off-gas releases from the operation of Nine Mile Point Unit No. 1 to values as low as practicable; and, therefore, we find the proposed system acceptable.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by  
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Donald J. Skovholt  
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