

January 29, 1979

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Reactor Operations and Nuclear Support Branch  
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region I  
631 Park Avenue  
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RE: Docket No. 50-220  
Inspection Report 78-21

Dear Mr. Brunner:

This refers to Appendix A of the report of inspection by your office on December 11-14, 1978 at the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Unit #1. The following item of deficiency was cited:

Technical Specification 6.8.1 states in part: "Written procedures and administrative policies shall be established, implemented and maintained ..." and,

Technical Specification 6.8.2 states in part: "Each procedure ... of 6.8.1 above, ... shall be reviewed by the SORC and approved by the General Superintendent Nuclear Generation prior to implementation..."

Contrary to the above, on November 9-10, 1978, a Station Shift Supervisor Instruction established and implemented a procedure to cross-connect the fire protection systems of Nine Mile Point #1 with Nine Mile Point #2. This procedure was not reviewed by the SORC and approved by the General Superintendent Nuclear Generation prior to implementation.

RESPONSE

1) Corrective Steps Taken

A formal revision to APN-21, Operating Procedure, Fire Protection System has been issued, reviewed by the Site Operations Review Committee, and approved by the General Superintendent Nuclear Generation. The revision details the procedure for interconnection of the Unit 1 with Unit 2 fire protection systems.

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RESPONSE (continued)

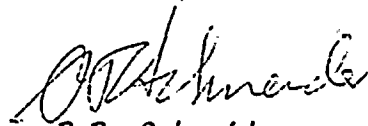
2) Steps to Avoid Future Non-compliance

The Operations Supervisor and Shift Supervisor have been reminded not to issue procedures as required by Technical Specification 6.8.1 except as provided in Technical Specification 6.8.2 or 6.8.3.

3) Date of Full Compliance

A temporary procedure change was issued December 15, 1978 in accordance with Technical Specification 6.8.3 and subsequently, reviewed by SORC and approved by the General Superintendent on December 20, 1978. We are presently in full compliance.

Sincerely,



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Vice President  
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