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 GRIMES, B. K. Assistant Director for Systems Engineering

SUBJECT: Requests that proposed 780113 Tech Specs change be voided.
 Agrees w/NRC 790716 ltr stating that increased testing of relief & safety valves is not best way to assure valve reliability. Util uses no Target Rock safety relief valves/

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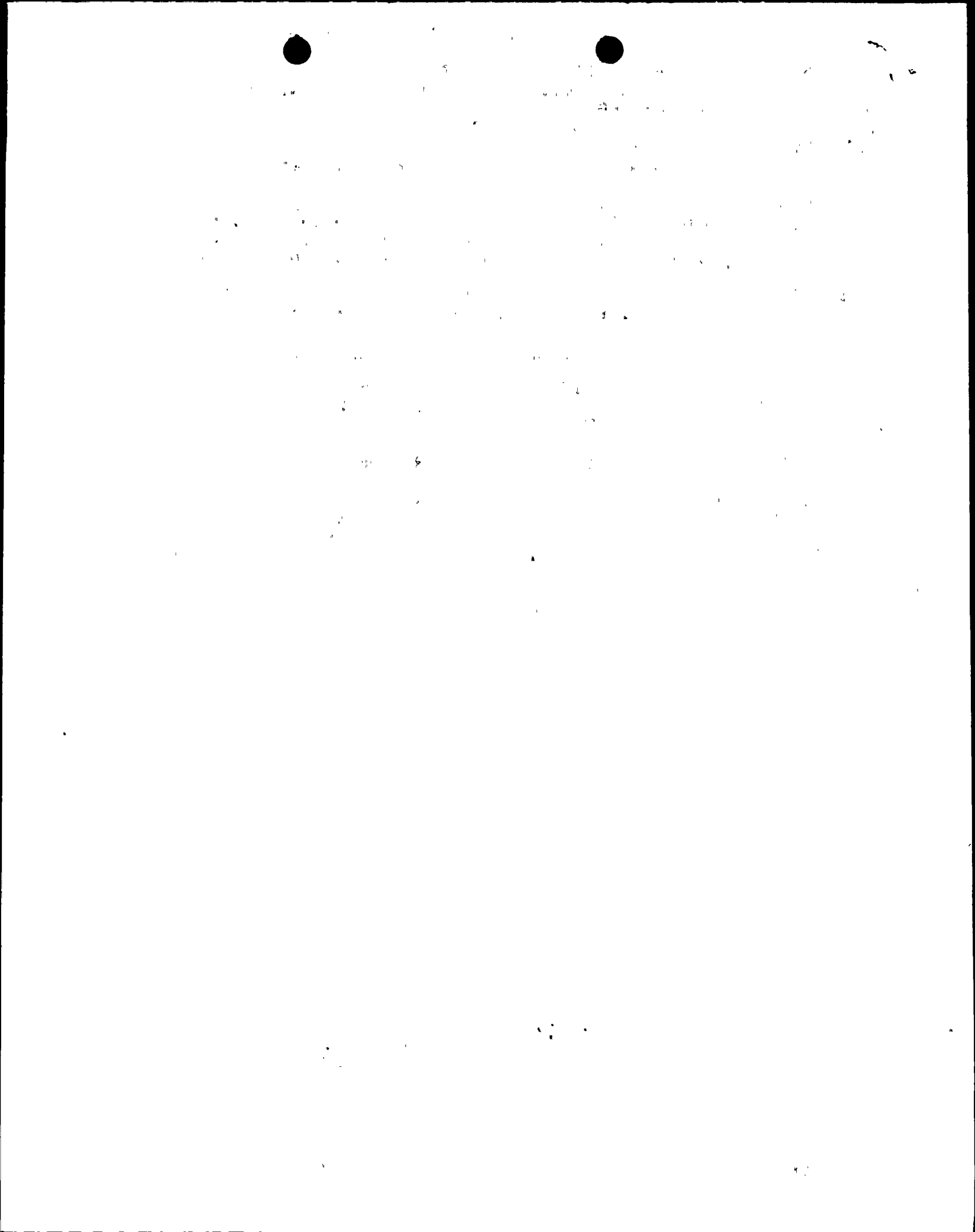
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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
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Washington, D. C. 20555

Re: Nine Mile Point Unit 1
Docket 50-220
DPR-63

Gentlemen:

Your letter of July 16, 1979 indicated that increased surveillance testing of relief and safety valves is not the most effective method of assuring valve reliability. Niagara Mohawk concurs with that conclusion, and therefore agrees that our proposed Technical Specification change of January 13, 1978 should be disregarded.

Also, information was requested regarding Target Rock safety relief valves. There are no Target Rock safety relief valves used at Nine Mile Point Unit 1.

Very truly yours,

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