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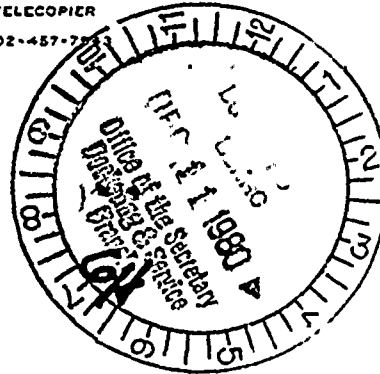
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Mr. Samuel J. Chilk  
Secretary  
United States Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
Nine Mile Point Unit #1  
Docket No. 50-220

Dear Mr. Chilk:

This firm represents the above-named licensee in matters before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

In a letter dated November 26, 1980 from Victor Stello, Jr., Director of the Office of Inspection and Enforcement, to Niagara Mohawk's President, certain matters were discussed relating to NUREG-0578, "TMI-2 Lessons Learned Task Force Status Report and Short Term Recommendations" and certain actions were taken by Mr. Stello on behalf of the Commission.

Among the many matters discussed in NUREG-0578 was Category A Item 2.1.8.b which relates to the stack monitor for the purpose of measuring certain noble gases which might be emitted from a facility in the event of an incident.

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On March 12, 1980 certain members of the Staff of the Division of Nuclear Reactor Regulation ("NRR") visited Niagara Mohawk's Nine Mile 1 site for the purpose of auditing what had been accomplished insofar as the twenty-one items listed in NUREG-0578 were concerned. On March 21, 1980 the Division of NRR issued its report of its audit related to Category A items.

On October 31, 1980 and November 18, 1980 the Division of Inspection and Enforcement took certain written interrogatories under oath from employees and officers of Niagara Mohawk relating to the Category A Item 2.1.8.b. Niagara Mohawk has been informed that at or about the same time the written interrogatories were taken from its personnel similar written interrogatories were taken from members of the Staff of the Division of NRR, by either the Division of Inspection and Enforcement or by the Division of Inspection and Audit on the same subject matter.

In order to prepare its answer more completely, Niagara Mohawk hereby requests that copies of the aforesaid affidavits from the Division of NRR be submitted to it as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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