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SUBJECT: Advises of performance of interim actions re heavy load movements,as required by NRC 801222 & 810203 ltrs.Procedures have been revised to identify safe load paths for heavy loads.

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May 22, 1981

Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
Division of Licensing
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Re: Nine Mile Point Unit 1
Docket No. 50-220
DPR-63

Dear Mr. Eisenhut:

Your letter dated December 22, 1980 as amended on February 3, 1981, required certain interim actions relating to heavy load movements be implemented by May 15, 1981. Niagara Mohawk has performed the interim actions identified in your letter with the following exceptions.

Procedures have been revised to identify safe load paths for heavy loads. These procedures have equipment layout drawings attached which indicate proper travel paths. However, the floor has not been marked in the area where loads are handled. The refueling floor is a confined area, and to mark the floor for all loads may only confuse the crane operators. Niagara Mohawk believes that the layout drawings attached to the procedures is the most feasible means of assuring safe travel paths.

Procedures for movement of reactor shield plugs, the drywell head, the reactor head, vessel internals and other heavy internal equipment have been revised as discussed above. Many of the fuel handling procedures have also been revised. However, certain fuel handling procedures such as new fuel handling, control blade handling and LPRM installation have not been revised. There is no immediate need to revise these procedures, since they will not be utilized until prior to the next refueling outage scheduled for Spring 1983. These remaining procedures will be revised prior their next use.

Very truly yours,

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