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OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT

Region I

Report No. 50-220/81-19

Docket No. 50-220

License No. DPR-63 Priority -- Category C

Licensee: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
300 Erie Boulevard West
Syracuse, New York 13202

Facility Name: Nine Mile Point, Unit 1

Meeting at: USNRC, Region I, King of Prussia, PA

Meeting conducted: August 5, 1981

Inspectors: S. D. Hudson, Resident Inspector — 8/24/81 date signed
Nine Mile Point, Unit 1

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Approved by: H. B. Kister, Chief, Reactor Projects Section 1C — 8/24/81 date signed

Meeting Summary:

Enforcement Conference on August 5, 1981 (Report 50-220/81-19)

Summary: Special enforcement conference convened by NRC Region I management to discuss NRC concerns regarding the violation of a Technical Specification Limiting Condition for Operation involving the isolation capabilities for the Emergency Cooling System condensers. Senior licensee and NRC Region I management attended the meeting held in the Region I office. The meeting was two hours in duration.

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## DETAILS

1. Attendees

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

T. E. Lempges, Vice President, Nuclear Generation
T. J. Perkins, General Site Superintendent, Nuclear Generation, Nine Mile Point Units 1 and 2
T. Roman, Station Superintendent, Nine Mile Point Unit 1

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B. H. Grier, Director, Region I
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H. B. Kister, Chief, Reactor Projects Section 1C, DRPI, Region I
S. D. Hudson, Resident Inspector, Nine Mile Point Unit 1

2. Discussions

NRC Region I management opened the meeting by summarizing their concerns regarding the bypassing of the automatic isolation instrumentation for the Emergency Cooling System condensers resulting in the violation of a Technical Specification. The Region I management expressed their concern for the management control system in place at the facility which allowed occurrence of this event in spite of the fact that two similar events have occurred since October 1980.

The licensee's representatives acknowledged the NRC's concerns and restated the short term corrective actions which were taken and previously communicated to the NRC. The actions include:

-- discussions of this event with the personnel involved;

-- the issuance of a memorandum to all operating personnel to remind them of the necessity for consulting Technical Specifications prior to the removal of safety-related equipment from service; and,

-- the initiation of a revision to the operating procedure to better clarify the purpose of the Emergency Cooling System Protective Instrumentation bypass switches.

The NRC emphasized the need for increased management attention on the part of Niagara Mohawk regarding the motivational aspect of assuring acceptable plant operation. The licensee's representatives acknowledged the comment and discussed several options that are under consideration to address this aspect.

3. Results

The licensee stated that a plan for long term corrective action would be developed within two weeks. This plan would include an implementation schedule for the long term actions.

The NRC acknowledged and commented on the licensee's proposal for long term corrective action.