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SUBJECT: Clarifies 850225 ltr re classification of refueling paltform. Comparison of QA Category I requirements & QA activities actually employed on refueling platform provided in encl Table 1.

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April 10, 1985 (NMP2L 0383)

Mr. A. Schwencer, Chief Licensing Branch No. 2 Division of Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Schwencer:

Re: Nine Mile Point Unit 2
Docket No. 50-410

On February 25, 1985, Niagara Mohawk submitted a letter regarding the classification of the refueling platform. As a result of subsequent conversations with the resident inspector, it appears that the letter could be confusing as to what we have done. This letter, therefore, supersedes our previous communication and provides a clarification of the status and justification for the quality classification of the refueling platform.

The equipment for the refueling platform was originally designed and fabricated by the vendor in accordance with QA Category 1 requirements. We subsequently determined that the refueling platform is not safety related since it is not required to:

- A. Assure the integrity of the reactor coolant boundary.
- B. Assure the capabaility to shutdown the reactor and maintain it in a safe shutdown condition.
- C. Assure the capability to prevent or mitigate the consequences of accidents that could result in potential offsite exposure.

Therefore, the refueling platform has been installed in accordance with QA Category II requirements; however, the structural design meets seismic Category I requirements. FSAR Table 3.2-1 was revised in Amendment 18 to indicate the refueling platform is QA Category II.

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For your information, we have attached Table 1 which gives a comparison of QA Category I requirements to the QA activities actually employed on the refueling platform.

This letter should address your concerns on the classification of the refueling platform. However, we will be glad to meet and discuss this matter with your staff at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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Table 1

Comparison of Quality Assurance Category I versus Category II Installation Requirements for Refueling Platform

Requirement	Q.A. Cat. I	Refueling Platform Requirements		
Assembly and installation instructions	Supplied by G.E.	Supplied by G.E.		
Welding Code	AWS	AWS		
Weld procedures	AWS	AWS		
Fit up for welding	Requirement verified by Field Quality Con- trol 50%	Requirement verified by by Contractor 100%		
Visual inspection for welding	Performed by Field Quality Control 100%	Performed by Field Quality Control 100%		
Weld rod requisition	Required and maintained	Required and maintained		
Weld rod material trace- ability	Complete traceability required and is filed as part of permanent plant file records	Complete traceability available and is filed as part of permanent plant file records		

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