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Docket No. 50-410

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
ATTN: Mr. William G. Hooten  
Executive Director - Nuclear Operations  
c/o Miss Catherine Seibert  
300 Erie Boulevard West  
Syracuse, New York 13202

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-410/86-01

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Mr. S. Hudson of this office on January 13, 1986 to February 21, 1986, at Nine Mile Point, Unit 2, Scriba, New York of activities authorized by NRC License No. CPPR-112 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Hudson with Mr. R.G. Matlock, Mr. W. Hansen and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the General Statement of Policy and Procedure for Enforcement Action (Enforcement Policy), 10 CFR 2, Appendix C (1985). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

This violation concerns the failure to properly review and approve a pre-operational test procedure to ensure that test acceptance criteria meet the FSAR commitments. This has been a continuing concern to the NRC. In your response, you should address how you intend to strengthen your review and approval process to prevent recurrence.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Samuel J. Collins, Chief  
Projects Branch No. 2  
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures: 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation  
2. Region I NRC Inspection Report Number  
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cc w/encl:

- Connor & Wetterhahn
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- NRC Resident Inspector
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- ✓ Region I Docket Room (with concurrences)
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