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Docket No. 50-410

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
ATTN: Mr. C. V. Mangan
Senior Vice President
300 Erie Boulevard, West
Syracuse, New York 13202

Gentlemen:

Subject: Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Report No.
50-410/85-98

This refers to the SALP for the Nine Mile Point Unit 2 project, conducted by this office on March 17, 1986 and discussed with you and your staff at a meeting on May 30, 1986. The list of meeting attendees is attached as Enclosure 1. The NRC Region I final SALP Report is provided as Enclosure 2 and covers the period February 1, 1985 to January 31, 1986. Your response dated June 30, 1986, submitted in reply to our letter of May 14, 1986 provided comments on the SALP Report. These letters are provided as Enclosures 3 and 4.

Our overall assessment indicates that construction activities have been performed in an acceptable manner. Based on our evaluation, we believe that corporate management involvement and controls have been a key factor in this performance. As the project moves through the preoperational testing phase, and toward an operational organization, continued management attention at both corporate and site levels will be required. We expect to maintain a high level of NRC inspection activity at Nine Mile Point Unit 2 in the coming months.

In the meeting of May 30, 1986 we discussed your regulatory performance and received your comments on the SALP program and our assessment. We have considered your comments at the meeting and in your letter of June 30, 1986, and made one change in the SALP report. The change, involving clarification of the Nine Mile Point site INPO accreditation status, is indicated by a vertical line in the margin on page 9 of Enclosure 2. We note Attachment 1 to your letter which addresses the report Recommendations to the Licensee and will assess the adequacy and implementation of your ongoing actions, which you indicate currently address most of the recommendations, during our future inspections.

We consider that our meeting and subsequent interchange of information were beneficial and improved mutual understanding of your activities and our regulatory program.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. No reply to this letter is required.

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
Thomas E. Murley

Thomas E. Murley
Regional Administrator

Enclosures:

1. SALP Management Meeting Attendees
2. SALP Report 50-410/85-98
3. NRC Region I Letter, T. Murley to B. G. Hooten, May 14, 1986
4. NMPC Letter, C. V. Mangan to T. Murley, June 30, 1986

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ENCLOSURE 1

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

SALP MANAGEMENT MEETING ATTENDEES

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

Facility: Nine Mile Point Unit 2

Meeting Conducted: May 30, 1986

Meeting Held: Region I, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

NRC Attendees

- T. Murley, Regional Administrator
- J. M. Allan, Deputy Regional Administrator
- R. Starosteki, Director, Division of Reactor Projects (DRP)
- W. F. Kane, Deputy Director, DRP
- W. V. Johnston, Deputy Director, Division of Reactor Safety (DRS)
- S. J. Collins, Chief, Projects Branch No. 2, DRP
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- R. Nimitz, Senior Radiation Specialist, DRSS
- M. Haughey, Project Manager, NRR

Licensee Attendees:

- W. J. Donlon, President
- T. E. Lempges, Vice President, Nuclear Generation
- J. A. Perry, Vice President, Quality Assurance
- T. A. Perkins, General Superintendent
- D. Quamme, Project Director
- A. F. Zallnick, Manager, Nine Mile Point Unit 2 Licensing
- C. G. Beckham, Quality Assurance Manager - Projects
- G. K. Afflerbach, Startup Manager

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