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SUBJECT: Submits response to comments on changes to FSAR Table 421.36-1 re Reg Guide 1.97 submitted in 860919 & 23 ltrs.

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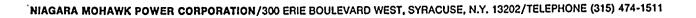
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NMP2L 0902 October 10,1986

Ms. Elinor G. Adensam, Director BWR Project Directorate No. 3 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 7920 Norfolk Avenue Washington, DC 20555

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Dear Ms. Adensam:

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

Niagara Mohawk forwarded changes to the Final Safety Analysis Report Table 421.36-1 related to Regulatory Guide 1.97 on September 19, 1986 (NMP2L 0882) and September 23, 1986 (NMP2L 0884). Your staff reviewed these changes and had comments. This letter responds to these comments.

Comments and responses are provided in the enclosure of this letter.

Very truly yours,

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of >

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation )

(Nine Mile Point Unit 2)

Docket No. 50-410

## AFFIDAVIT

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<u>C. V. Mangan</u>, being duly sworn, states that he is Senior Vice President of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation; that he is authorized on the part of said Corporation to sign and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission the documents attached hereto; and that all such documents are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of New York and County of  $\underline{OutAler}$ , this  $\underline{IO^2}$  day of  $\underline{OutAler}$ , 1986.

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## ENCLOSURE

- Comment 1) Describe how the RHR Heat Exchanger outlet temperature can be measured by the use of alternate instruments which are qualified to Regulatory Guide 1.97. Also discuss the means of detection if the RHR Heat Exchanger is bypassed.
- Response 1) Instruments 2RHS\*TE13A, B measure RHR heat exchangers outlet temperature, which provides an indication of RHR system operation and its effectiveness in removing heat from the primary containment. These instruments are seismically qualified but are not environmentally qualified. These instruments perform no active safety function, thus do not need to be environmentally qualified. Other instruments, provided in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.97, provide the operator with sufficient information to verify the RHR system is operating and effectively removing heat from the primary containment. These instruments are:
  - a. RHR system flow (2RHS\*FT14A, B)
  - b. Cooling water flow to ESF components exchangers (2SWP\*FT13A, B)
  - c. Drywell/suppression chamber pressure
  - d. Drywell atmosphere temperature
  - e. Suppression pool water temperature
  - f. Drywell spray header flow
  - g. Cooling water temperature to ESF components (service water supply temperature 2SWP\*TE31A, B).

Enclosed is a schematic diagram identifying the instrumentation about the RHR Heat Exchanger. Sufficient information regarding the RHR Heat Exchanger is known to verify performance and bypass. The flow indicator downstream of the heat exchanger verifies RHR flow from the heat exchanger. Valve position indicators verify heat exchanger bypass. A flow indicator in the service water system verifies cooling flow to the RHR Heat Exchanger. As indicated in FSAR Table 9.2-1A and 1B, the service water flow to each RHR Heat Exchanger is 7,400 gpm (total service water flow in each division is approximately 12,623 gpm). This information was submitted by our letter dated August 22, 1986 (NMP2L 0851).

It is therefore concluded that adequate indication of RHR system operation is provided without the instruments 2RHS\*TE13A, B; thereby meeting the intent of Regulatory Guide 1.97, Rev. 3.

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Comment 2) The low end of the intermediate range monitoring instrument was changed from  $4 \times 10^{-5} \%$  to  $4 \times 10^{-4} \%$  power. Describe how this change complies with the Regulatory Guide 1.97 requirement.

- Response 2) Regulatory Guide 1.97 recommended monitoring neutron flux with the range of  $10^{-6}$  % to 100 % full power. Enclosed is Final Safety Analysis Report Figure 7.6-2 which identifies neutron flux detection ranges of the neutron monitoring system. As indicated by this figure, the Regulatory Guide 1.97 recommended ranges are satisfied by the sum of neutron flux ranges from the source range monitor, intermediate range monitor, and power range monitor.
- Comment 3) The Source Range Monitor (SRM) is not environmentally and seismically qualified. It is understood that the SRM will be environmentally qualified in the future as a marketable SRM is available. Describe the reason for not seismically qualified the SRM.
- Response 3) Regulatory Guide 1.97 classifies as Type B those variables that provide information to indicate if plant safety functions are being accomplished. Type B, Category 1, is intended for key variables that directly indicated the accomplishment of a safety function and its importance to safety. Backup variables are generally Category 3. Neutron flux is the key variable for measuring reactivity control.

The degree to which this variable is important to safety is another consideration. The large number of detectors (i.e., source range monitors and intermediate range monitors) can be driven into the core soon after shutdown, making it highly probable that one or more of the existing Neutron Monitoring System (NMS) detectors will be inserted. There is little probability that there would be, simultaneously, a need for this measurement (in terms of operator action to be taken) and an accident environment in which the NMS would be rendered inoperable. Further, the operator can always actuate the Standby Liquid Control System upon loss of instrumentation, or it would be actuated automatically upon High Reactor Pressure of Low Reactor Water Level if the APRMS were not downscale.

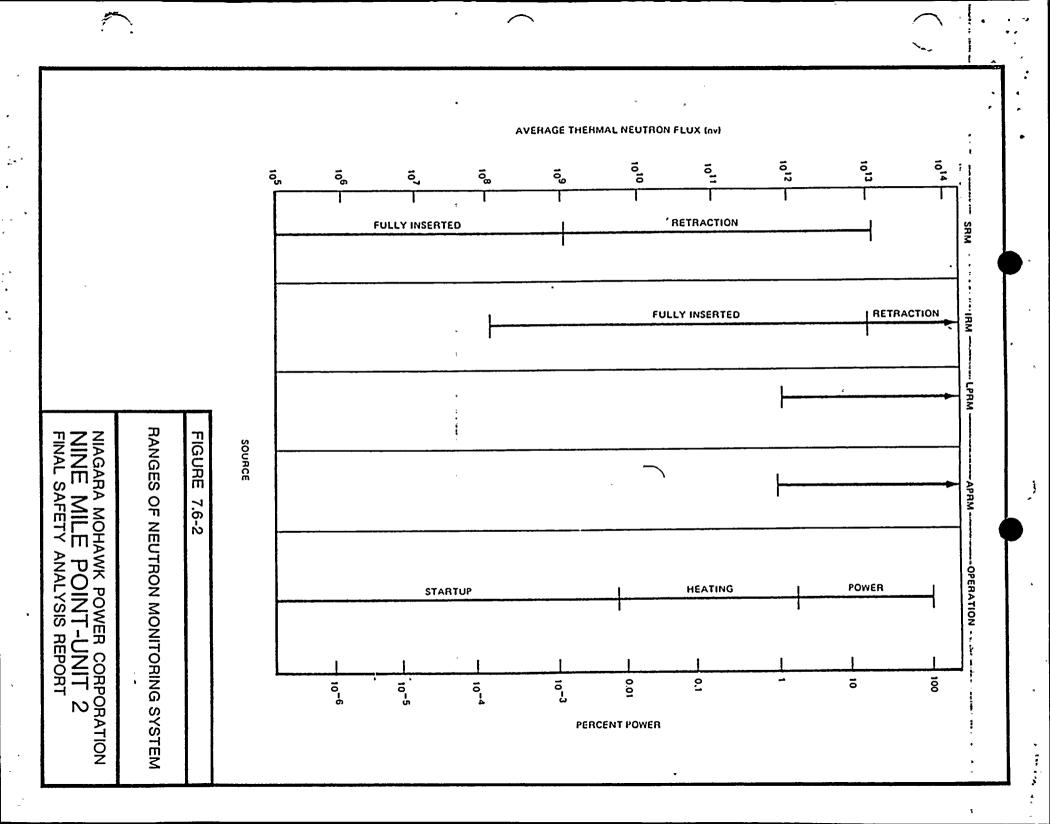
The SRM provides neutron flux information during reactor startup and low flux level operations. The SRM is environmentally and seismically qualified to perform its scram trip function during fuel loading. The detector is seismically qualified, but the drive mechanism is not because the drive is not needed to perform the trip function.

Further, Supplement 4 of the Safety Evaluation Report indicated that a non-qualified SRM was acceptable on an interim basis. Niagara Mohawk has committed to a new SRM as described in our letter dated March 3, 1986 (NMP2L 0644). .

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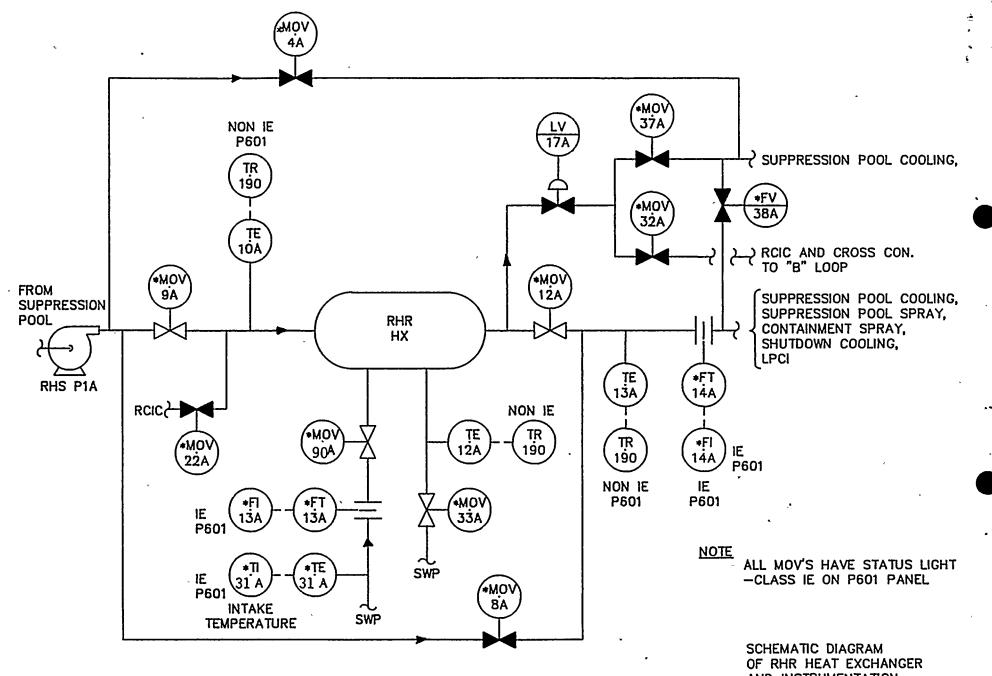


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