Docket No. 50-220

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

ATTN: Mr. C. V. Mangan

Senior Vice President c/o Miss Catherine R. Seibert 300 Erie Boulevard West

300 Erie Boulevard West Syracuse, New York 13202

Dear Mr. Mangan:

SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION - STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF VACUUM BREAKERS

(TAC 57160)

Re: Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1

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A copy of the Safety Evaluation supporting our findings is enclosed.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Jack Donohew for

John A. Zwolinski, Director BWR Project Directorate #1 Division of BWR Licensing

Enclosure: Safety Evaluation

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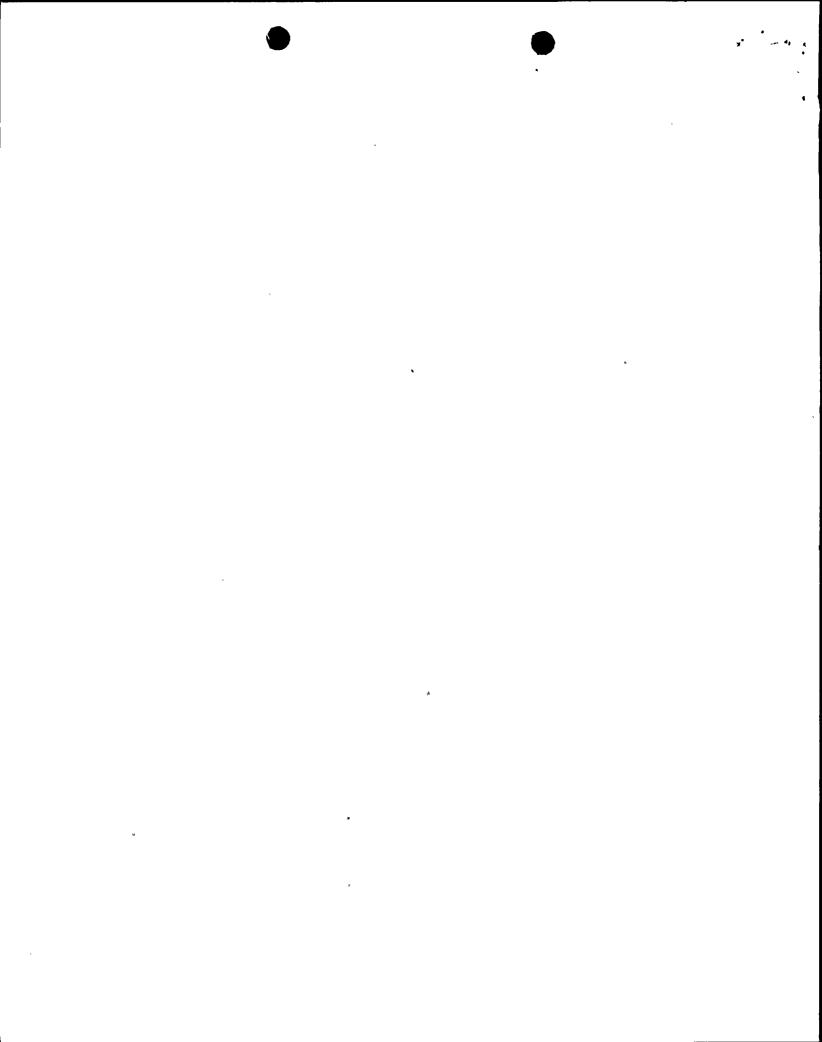
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