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SUBJECT: Forwards Safety Insp Repts 50-220/87-11 & 50-410/87-25 on  
 870629-30 & 0706-10 & notice of violation. Response should  
 include action planned re reactor pressure vessel beltline  
 welds inps.

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Docket Nos. 50-220  
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Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Report Nos. 50-220/87-11 and 50-410/87-25

This letter refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. H. Kerch of this office on June 29-30 and July 6-10, 1987, at the Nine Mile Point, Units 1 and 2. Mr. Kerch discussed the finding of the inspection with Mr. C. Beckham 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 inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that two of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These violations have been categorized by severity level in accordance with the General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions, 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, (Enforcement Policy 1987). For these violations a response to this report is required by 10 CFR 2.201. Please follow the instructions in Appendix A in the preparation of your response.

In addition, during this inspection it was determined that no reactor pressure vessel beltline welds are included in the current inservice inspection program. Although relief from inspection has been previously granted by NRC for each specific beltline weld, we believe that it is appropriate for you to review the feasibility of reactor pressure vessel beltline inspections in light of the current state-of-the-art inspection techniques. With regard to this issue, we request that in your response to the Notices of Violation presented in Appendix A of the enclosed report, you inform us of what actions you plan in this area and their schedule for completion. I and my staff are available to discuss this issue with you.

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Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:  
Clifford J. Anderson



William V. Johnston, Acting Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report Nos. 50-220/87-11 and 50-410/87-25


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
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