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## Re: Nine Mile Point Unit 1 Docket No. 50-220 DPR-63

Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to correct and update information in our submittal dated December 31, 1979 which provided the design details and the status of the outstanding commitments to NUREG-0578 for Nine Mile Point Unit 1. Specifically, this letter will affect our response to NUREG-0578, Recommendation 2.1.6.a - Integrity of Systems Outside Containment Likely to Contain Radioactive Materials for PWR's and BWR's.

Niagara Mohawk's letter dated December 31, 1979 incorrectly stated that once each operating cycle the Emergency Condenser and Vacuum Relief System would be included in the 10CFR50, Appendix J Integrated Leak Rate Test. Integrated leak rate testing is required only 3 times every 10 years. Local leak rate testing, however, is performed on these systems each operating cycle and should have been identified as the test performed each operating cycle.

Our letter also stated leakage from relief valves and packing in the vacuum relief system will be observed using a soap bubble test. Leakage from relief valves and packing is actually determined by the volumetric leak rate method. A pretest is performed on any measuring equipment and other valves/devices that may cause leakage by a bubble test or other versatile leakage test method.

Very truly yours, NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

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