Docket Nos. 50-220 50-410

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia
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Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
301 Plainfield Road
Syracuse, New York 13212

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: SAFETY INSPECTION AT NINE MILE POINT, UNITS 1 AND 2 (NRC

COMBINED INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-220/92-18 AND

50-410/92-20)

This letter refers to the NRC inspection conducted by Mr. P. Drysdale of this office on July 27 through August 4 and August 31 through September 1, 1992, at Nine Mile Point, Units 1 and 2, Scriba, New York, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. DPR-63 and NPF-69 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Drysdale with Messrs. J. Conway and W. Yeager and other members 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. The inspection included a review of your response to Generic Letter 88-14 for the Unit 1 Instrument Air System (IAS), and a follow-up on a previous NRC concern related to improper isolation of a Unit 2 Service Water (SW) System unit cooler. Our inspector reviewed the ability of these systems to protect public health and safety under design basis conditions.

No response to this letter is required; however, your attention is requested for a timely resolution of unresolved design issues in the IAS for Unit 1 as discussed in paragraph 1.0 of the enclosed report. In addition, as discussed in paragraph 2.0 of the enclosed report, your cooperation is requested in the timely resolution of unresolved item 50-410/91-12-04 related to Unit 2 SW performance under design conditions due to its potential significance for safe plant operation.

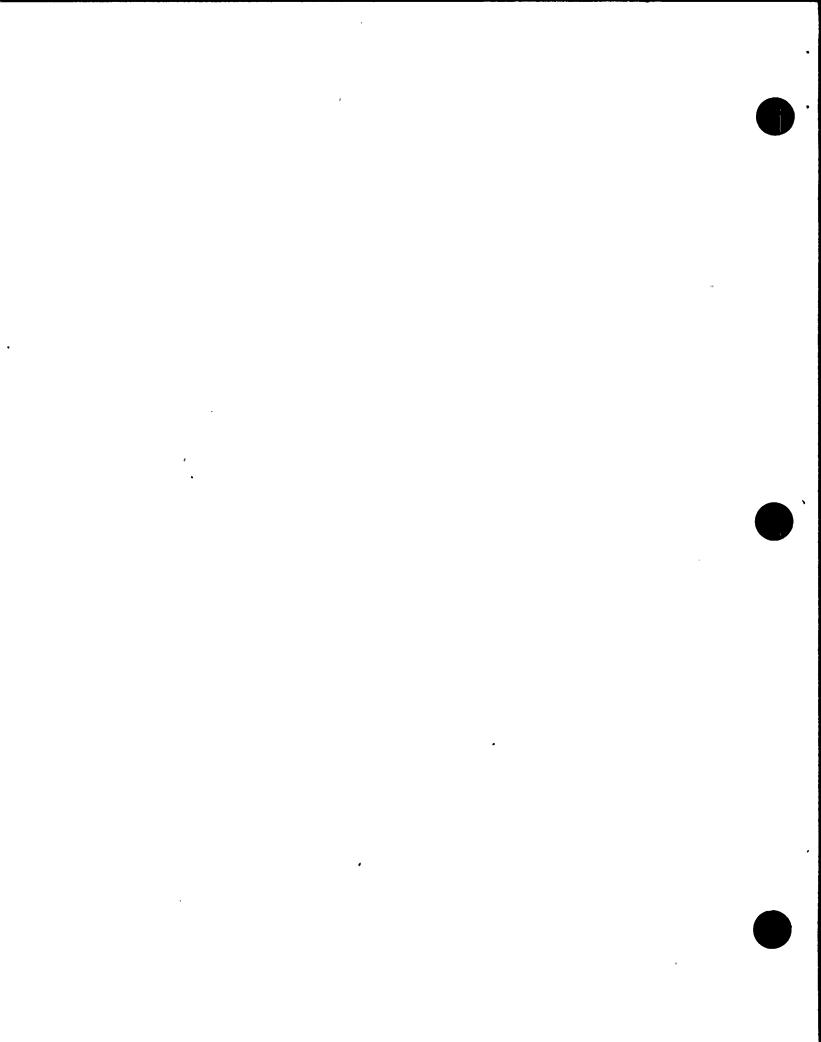
Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Inspection Report Nos. 50-220/92-18 and 50-410/92-20



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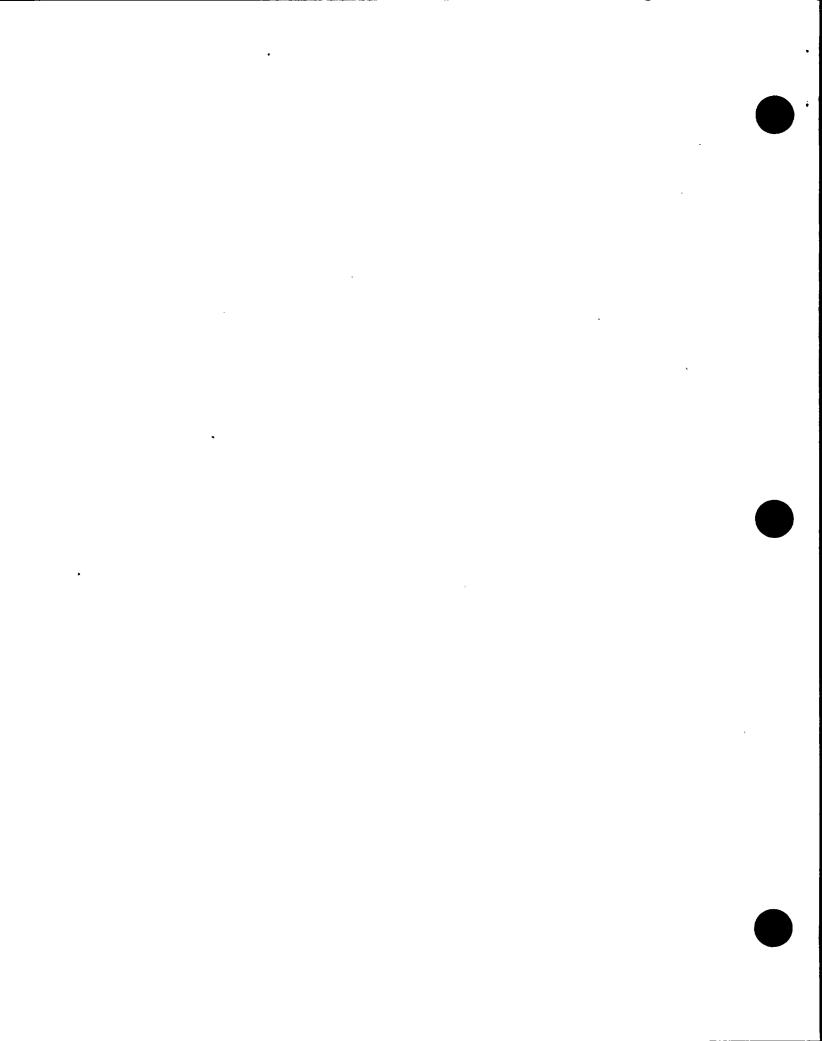
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