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Docket Nos. 50-220
50-410

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia
Executive Vice President - Nuclear
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
Nine Mile Point
Post Office Box 63, Lake Road
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Dear Mr. Sylvia:

Subject: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC COMBINED INSPECTION NOS. 50-220/92-17; 50-410/92-19)

This refers to the safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. Furia of this office on June 15-19, 1992, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. DPR-63 and NPF-54, and to the discussion of our findings held by Mr. J. Furia with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are important to health and safety and included radiological controls during the maintenance outage at Unit 1, and during restart operations at Unit 2, dosimetry records, and transportation as 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.

Radiological controls in use at Unit 1 during the maintenance outage were determined to be very good. Improvements in ALARA and radiological housekeeping were noted at Unit 2. However, based upon this inspection, it appears that during the recent Unit 2 refueling outage certain 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. Specifically, during the reactor reassembly, a contractor engineer instructed two contractor workers to perform wire brushing operations in a manner inconsistent with the Radiological Work Permit (RWP) being utilized, and one of the contractor workers was not wearing the appropriate protective clothing as specified in the RWP. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
James H. Joyner

James H. Joyner, Chief
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Region I Inspection Report Nos. 50-220/92-17; 50-410/92-19

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