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Docket No. 50-220

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia Executive Vice President - Nuclear Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation 301 Plainfield Road Syracuse, New York 13212

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: EXAMINATION REPORT NO. 50-220/93-26 (OL)

During the week of November 15, 1993, the NRC administered initial examinations to employees of your company who had applied for licenses to operate the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1. At the conclusion of the examinations, the preliminary findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Four of the six applicants passed the initial examinations. Section 3.0 of the enclosed report contains additional details of the applicants' performance and the NRC examiners' observations. All of the applicants passed the dynamic simulator portion of the operating test; however, the performance of the crews was weak in response to a loss of all reactor water level indication. You are requested to review the individual examination results provided to Mr. R. Smith in a letter dated December 21, 1993, for generic training weaknesses. After your review is complete, we would like to meet with you to discuss the results of your review.

Several minor mistakes were made by an applicant and NRC examiners during administration of the examinations that resulted in failure to follow the Radiation Work Permit (RWP) procedure. Based on the prompt identification by the licensee and immediate corrective action, the failure to follow procedures was considered a non-cited violation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Richard Conte at (215) 337-5210.

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Sincerely,

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Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure:

Examination Report No. 50-220/93-26 (OL) w/Attachments 1-5

Attachments:

- 1. RO Examination and Answer Key
- 2. SRO Examination and Answer Key
- 3. Facility Comments on Written Examinations (w/o references)
- 4. NRC Resolution of Facility Comments
- 5. Simulation Facility Report

cc w/encl; w/o Attachments 1-5:

- C. Terry, Vice President Nuclear Engineering
- M. McCormick, General Manager, Safety Assessment, Licensing & Training
- K. Dahlberg, Unit 1 Plant Manager

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cc w/encl and Attachments 1-5: R. Smith, Training Manager R. Sanaker, General Supervisor - Operations Training (NMP1) Public Document Room (PDR) Local Public Document Room (LPDR) Nuclear Safety Information Center (NSIC)

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bcc w/encl; w/o Attachments 1-5: T. Walker, DRS R. Miller, Sonalysts D. Odland, Sonalysts OL Facility File

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