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SUBJECT: PLANT PERFORMANCE REVIEW (PPR) - NINE MILE POINT UNITS 1 & 2

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

On March 25, 1997, the NRC staff completed the semiannual Plant Performance Review (PPR) of the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2. The staff conducts these reviews for all operating nuclear power plants to develop an integrated understanding of safety performance. The results are used by NRC management to facilitate planning and allocation of inspection resources. The PPR for Nine Mile Point involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating inspection results and safety performance information for the period October 1996 through March 1997. PPRs provide NRC management with a current summary of licensee performance and serve as inputs to the NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and senior management meeting (SMM) reviews.

This letter advises you of our planned inspection effort resulting from the Nine Mile Point PPR review. It is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. The enclosure details our inspection plan for the next 6 months. The rationale or basis for each inspection outside the core inspection program is provided so that you are aware of the reason for emphasis in these program areas. Resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

We will inform you of any changes to the inspection plan. If you have any questions, please contact me at (610) 337-5378.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:

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## Nine Mile Point Inspection Plan

Enclosure

IP - Inspection Procedure

TI - Temporary Instruction

CO - Core Inspection - Minimum NRC Inspection Program (mandatory all plants)

INSPECTION	TITLE/PROGRAM AREA	INSPECTION START DATES	TYPE OF INSPECTION/ COMMENTS
IP 64704	Fire Protection Program	6/2/97	CO
IP 71001	Unit 1 Licensed Operator Requalification Evaluation	5/26/97	CO
IP 83750	Occupational Radiation Controls	6/16/97	CO
IP 82701	Emergency Preparedness Program	7/14/97	CO
IP 84750	Effluent Monitoring	7/14/97	CO
IP 82302	Emergency Preparedness Exercise Review Objectives & Scenario	7/21/97	CO
IP 40500	Corrective Action Program	8/4 & 18/97 (5 inspectors/ 2 weeks)	CO & RI - Expanded effort to include identified weaknesses in Corrective Action Program including DER threshold, root cause analysis, the 50.59 process, and ISEG effectiveness.
TI 2515/109	MOV GL 89-10 Closure	8/4/97	SI
IP 86750	Solid Radwaste Management & Transportation	8/11/97	CO
TI 2515/133	Implementation of revised 49 CFR 100-179 and 10 CFR 71	8/11/97	SI





IP 37550	Engineering	9/8/97	CO - 3 inspectors for 2 weeks focusing on design controls, corrective actions, and management involvement in engineering activities.
IP 82301	EP Exercise - Full Participation	9/22/97	CO
IP 81700	Physical Security	9/29/97	CO
IP 71001	Unit 2 Licensed Operator Requalification Evaluation	10/20/97	CO

