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SUBJECT: Forwards insp repts 50-220/99-05 & 50-410/99-05 on
 990509-0619. No violations noted. NRC concerned with quality
 of work performed by maint engineering & operations staffs
 which contributed to RCIC sys performance deficiencies.

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**SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-220/99-05
AND 50-410/99-05**

Dear Mr. Mueller:

This report transmits the findings of safety inspections conducted by NRC inspectors at the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, from May 9, through June 19, 1999. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with members of your staff.

During the six-week inspection period covered by this report, operation of the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station reflected an acceptable safety focus. Emergent work during the Unit 1 outage, including the core shroud weld and tie rod repairs and recirculation piping weld examinations were well controlled from a safety perspective. At Unit 2, additional reactor core isolation cooling (RCIC) system performance deficiencies were identified by your staff during on-line maintenance. We are concerned with the quality of work performed by the maintenance, engineering and operations staffs which contributed to the RCIC system degradation. Although the specific issues were resolved, the underlying causes warrant additional attention.

In accordance with 10CFR2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:

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