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Docket Nos.

50-387/NPF-22 50-388/NPF-14

Pennsylvania Power & Light Company ATTN: Mr. Harry Keiser Senior Vice President - Nuclear 2 North Ninth Street Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101

Gentlemen:

Subject: Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) Report

Nos. 50-387/88-99; 50-388/88-99

A Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance for the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, operated by Pennsylvania Power and Light (PP&L), was conducted by the NRC staff on September 26, 1989. The results of this evaluation were described in SALP Report 50-387/88-99 and 50-388/88-99. This report was forwarded to you on October 13, 1989, and was discussed with you in a management meeting held on October 31, 1989 in the NRC Region I office in King of Prussia, PA.

The operation of the Susquehanna facility was characterized by a strong safety culture. Internal and external communications were noteworthy strengths. Performance in individual functional areas varied somewhat but generally remained very strong. Performance in Engineering Support improved, while, performance in Emergency Preparedness declined. An improving trend was noted in Radiological Controls and a declining trend was noted in Safety Assessment/Quality Verification. Continued strong performance was observed in the Security/Safeguards area.

Your SALP response of November 20, 1989, has been reviewed and your concerns expressed about our report during the October 31 meeting were addressed. The initial SALP report was changed to clarify the Maintenance and Safety Assessment/Quality Verification sections regarding the training of maintenance personnel.

The Final SALP Report is attached as Enclosure 1. Our letter of October 13, 1989 (Enclosure 2) forwarded the Initial SALP Report and solicited your comments within twenty days of the October 31 meeting. Your letter of November 20, 1989, in response to the SALP Report is attached as Enclosure 3. The list of attendees at the October 31, 1989 meeting is attached as Enclosure 4. The errata sheets listing the changes made to the SALP report are attached as Enclosure 5.

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We believe that our meeting and interchange of information was beneficial and encourage future meetings between NRC Region I and PP&L management to discuss matters of mutual interest.

No reply to this letter is required. Your actions in response to the SALP will be reviewed as part of our ongoing inspection program at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station..

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By William T. Russell Regional Administrator

Enclosure:

- 1. Final SALP Report No. 50-387/88-99; 50-388/88-99
- 2. NRC Letter to PP&L, dated October 13, 1989
- 3. PP&L Letter to NRC, dated November 20, 1989
- 4. List of Attendees
- 5. Errata Sheets

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