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SUBJECT: Forwards insp repts 50-387/94-06 & 50-388/94-06 on
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 failure to follow licensee programs, procedures, training &
 work practices during performance of safety-related maint.

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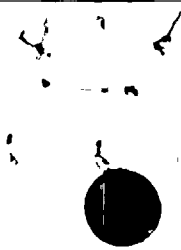
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Docket Nos. 50-387
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Mr. Robert G. Byram
Senior Vice President - Nuclear
Pennsylvania Power & Light Company
2 North Ninth Street
Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101

Dear Mr. Byram:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND NRC REGION I COMBINED
INSPECTION 50-387/94-06; 50-388/94-06

The enclosed report documents a resident safety inspection conducted by Messrs. G. S. Barber and D. J. Mannai, and others from February 27, 1994 through April 11, 1994, at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station (SSES), Salem Township, Pennsylvania. The inspection covered areas relevant to the health and safety of the public. At the conclusion of the inspection, Mr. G. S. Barber, Senior Resident Inspector, summarized the inspection findings with Mr. H. G. Stanley and other members of your staff.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain activities appeared to be in nonconformance with NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The inspector discovered examples of failure to follow licensee programs, procedures, training and work practices during the performance of safety related maintenance and surveillance activities. These examples were due, in part, to a lack of reinforcement of performance expectation by supervisors in the field. Your independent self-assessment functions have also identified similar performance issues. However, the quality, method and timeliness of feedback of these assessments to management by independent organizations should be reviewed because they may not have been adequate to prevent continuing failures of the type identified by your staff and our inspectors. The inspector also identified that thermal degradation in certain power and control cables for main steam isolation valves, discovered during the fall 1993 Unit 1 refueling outage, were not evaluated for generic implication. During the current refueling outage, this same condition was discovered on Unit 2 and documented in Nonconformance Report 94-089.

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. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
EDWARD C. WENZINGER

Edward C. Wenzinger, Chief,
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Enclosure:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Combined NRC Inspection Report 50-387/94-06; 50-388/94-06

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