

March 4, 1996

Mr. Robert G. Byram
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2 North Ninth Street
Allentown, Pennsylvania 18101

SUBJECT: NRC COMBINED INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-387/95-25; 50-388/95-25

Dear Mr. Byram:

The enclosed report documents a resident inspection conducted by Ms. M. Banerjee, Mr. B. J. McDermott, and others from December 19, 1995 through February 5, 1996, at the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station (SSES), Salem Township, Pennsylvania. Areas relevant to the health and safety of the public examined during the inspection are described in the enclosed report. At the conclusion of the inspection, the inspectors summarized their preliminary findings with Mr. G. J. Kuczynski and other members of your staff.

We consider the recent operations management's effort to reduce the number of lit annunciators in the control room, and the monthly status review meeting to ensure appropriate prioritization of corrective actions to reduce the operator work around items are considered as very positive initiatives.

It appears to us that you are taking aggressive actions to resolve the recently identified health physics issues related to inadequate surveys, postings, and contaminated items found outside the radiologically controlled areas. These issues are of concern to us, and we will continue to follow your progress in these areas.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-387;50-388

Enclosures:

1. Combined NRC Inspection Report 50-387/95-25; 50-388/95-25
2. Attachment 1: PP&L's Enforcement Conference Handout

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