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Docket No. 50-244

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation ATTN: Mr. Robert E. Smith Vice President Production and Engineering 49 East Avenue Rochester, New York 14649

Gentlemen:

Subject: Notice of Violation (NRC Inspection Report No. 50-244/88-26)

This refers to the NRC special inspection, conducted December 11-21, 1988, of the B steam generator frozen pressure sensing lines. On February 7, 1989, an enforcement conference was held at the NRC Region I offices in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania to discuss the event, its causes, and your corrective actions.

Based on the NRC review of material presented by RG&E at the enforcement conference, we have made the following determinations. (1) Your actions to prevent recurrence of the freezing in your steam generator pressure sensing lines in 1980 were not in full compliance with NRC regulations as described in the enclosed Notice of Violation. You are required to respond as described in Appendix A. (2) No violation is issued regarding the lack of a review per 10 CFR 50.59. We note your commitment to provide formal guidance to control room personnel for situations when not enough time is available to complete a review as required by 10 CFR 50.59. (3) The NRC concluded no violation of Technical Specification 3.5.2 existed when the bistables for PT-479 were restored. Your commitment to trip the bistables for at least one channel at all times when two have failed is appropriate. Our review of the event concluded that your actions were conservative and in the interest of safety.

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.2.790, a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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William F. Kane, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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