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Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of Inspection and Enforcement Region I 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406



Subject: IE Bulletin 81-01, "Surveillance of Mechanical Snubbers"

R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, Unit #1

Docket No. 50-244

Dear Mr. Grier:

In response to Inspection and Enforcement Bulletin 81-01 dated January 27, 1981, concerning failures of mechanical snubbers, the following information is provided.

Ginna Station has no INC mechanical snubbers. Action items 1 and 2, therefore, do not pertain to Ginna Station. There is one Pacific Scientific Company mechanical snubber installed on a safety-related system at Ginna Station. It is a model PSA-3 and is installed on the B steam generator blowdown line. It is located inside containment and is not normally accessible during reactor operation. Additional Pacific Scientific snubbers are presently in storage and are planned to be installed on safety-related systems.

Each of the Pacific Scientific snubbers was subjected to a final functional test prior to shipment to verify that drag forces were within the specified range. The installed snubber has been in service only since last November. Freedom of movement is required of each snubber to enable installation.

As described in the subject bulletin, the installed PSA-3 snubber will be visually examined and manually tested during the spring 1981 refueling outage. The mechanical snubbers in storage will be examined as prescribed prior to installation.

The results of the inspection of the installed mechanical snubbers will be submitted within 60 days after completion.



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TO Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director

To assist in evaluating the value/impact of each Bulletin on licensees, manpower expended in conduct of the review and preparation of this report is approximately six manhours. Manpower expended for any needed corrective actions will be provided in the report on the results of the inspections.

Very truly yours,

John E. Maier

Subscribed and sworn to me on this 17th day of March 1981.

GARY L. REISS

cc: Mr. Victor Stello, Jr., Director
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