

January 27, 1995

Dr. Robert C. Mecredy
Vice President, Ginna Nuclear Production
Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation
89 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14649

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION NO. 50-244/94-29

Dear Dr. Mecredy:

This letter refers to the announced radiation controls inspection conducted by Mr. J. Noggle of this office on December 19-22, 1994 of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-18 at the Ginna Nuclear Power Plant and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. J. Noggle with Mr. R. Marchionda and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the onsite portion of the inspection on December 22, 1994. The inspection was continued in the Region I office until January 6, 1995 to review additional materials provided by your staff on January 3 and 6, 1995 and included a telephone conference by Mr. Noggle and Dr. R. Bores with Mr. T. Marlow and others of your staff on January 6, 1995. Final inspection results were communicated to Mr. Marlow by telephone on January 26, 1995.

Areas examined in this inspection are important to public health and safety, and are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Within the scope of this inspection, you had in place an effective radiation controls program and have initiated several areas of enhancement including: streamlining of the health physics (HP) access control point, implementation of an electronic pocket dosimeter (EPD) system, and establishment of a new station committee chartered to reduce outage exposures from a job planning and work method perspective. Results from these initiatives will be reviewed during the next scheduled outage period. Your audits of various program areas and performance of the HP training program have been good. However, as the result of a review of recent radiological events, two examples of one violation of NRC requirements were identified which involved the failure to perform appropriate radiological surveys, resulting in a contaminated pipe flange being removed temporarily from the site. The contamination subsequently was identified as a result of a concern expressed by the member of your staff who had handled the pipe flange. We reviewed the description of your immediate and longer range corrective actions for the violation and concluded that, if fully implemented, they appear adequate to prevent recurrence. A Notice of Violation is enclosed with this letter. However, because of the information provided during the inspection relative to correction of the violations, no additional information is needed by the NRC

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at this time. Therefore, no response to this letter is required. Implementation and effectiveness of your corrective actions will be reviewed during future inspections.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
James H. Joyner

James H. Joyner, Chief
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and Safeguards Branch
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Docket No. 50-244

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-244/94-29

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