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Dr. Robert C. Mecredy Vice President, Ginna Nuclear Operations Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation 89 East Avenue Rochester, New York 14649

SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-244/97-06

Dear Dr. Mecredy:

This letter transmits the results of safety inspections conducted by NRC inspectors at the Ginna Nuclear Power Plant from June 30, 1997 through August 3, 1997. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with Mr. J. Widay and others of your staff. The inspection report also includes a summary of the predecisional enforcement conference held in the NRC Region I Office on August 5, 1997, to discuss the vehicle barrier system issues identified in Inspection Report 50-244/97-08.

During the five week period covered by this inspection period, we noted safe plant operation. Several good activities in the operations and maintenance areas were noted, including your efforts toward resolving the auxiliary feedwater pump recirculation valve unreliability, diagnosing anomalous service water pump performance, and replacing the spent fuel pool weir gate bladder.

During our review of your radiological environmental monitoring program, we noted a discrepancy between the meteorological tower base instrumentation and the control room instrumentation data. We are concerned that the data discrepancy could impact emergency response activities. We request that you review this matter and provide us the results of your review in writing, including any corrective actions, within 60 days from the receipt this letter.

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 (PDR).

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:

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Lawrence T. Doerflein, Chief Projects Branch 1 Division of Reactor Projects

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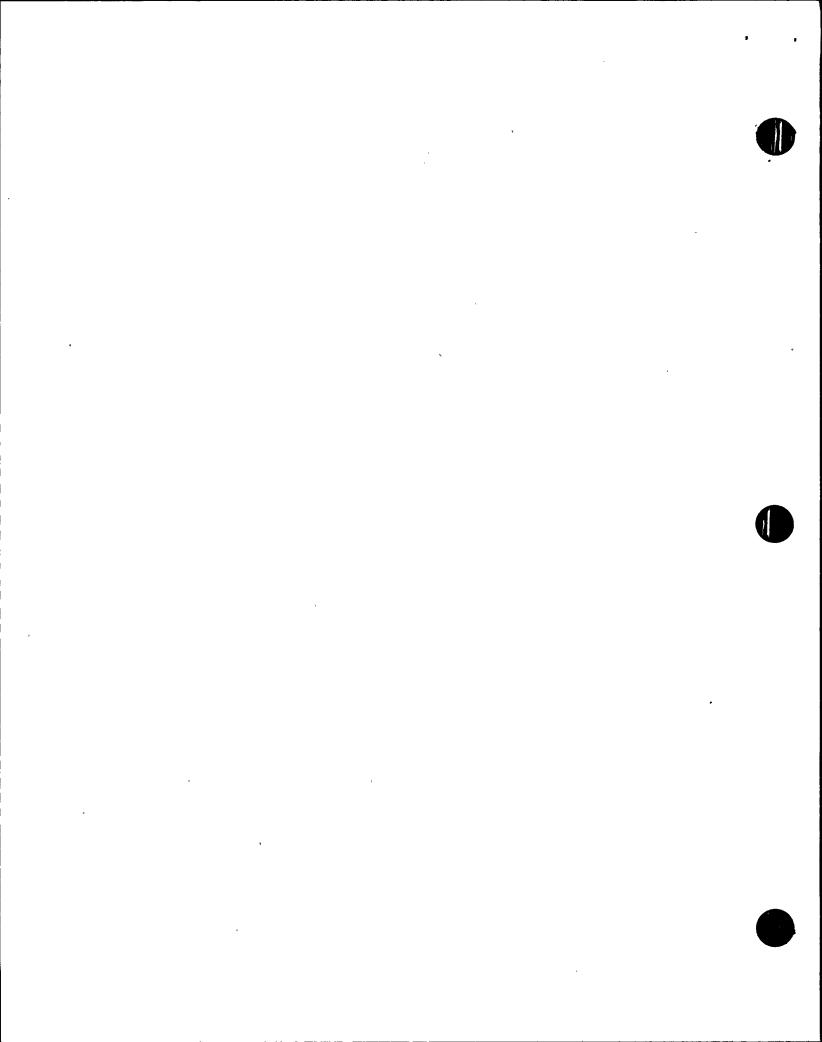
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